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1 **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**
2 **ON OCTOBER 30, 2007, BEGINS ON PAGE 195.]**

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6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
7 IS NOW IN SESSION. AND I ASK THAT EVERYONE STAND FOR THE
8 INVOCATION AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. THE INVOCATION WILL
9 BE LED BY DR. PHILIP HILLIARD OF THE BETHANY CHURCH OF
10 ALHAMBRA. AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY RONALD
11 QUINCEY, A MEMBER OF POST 5394 OF THE LONG BEACH VETERANS OF
12 FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. DR. HILLIARD.

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14 **DR. PHILIP HILLIARD:** LET US PRAY. OUR ETERNAL FATHER, WE
15 HUMBLY BOW BEFORE YOU, GIVING THANKS FOR THE BLESSING OF LIFE
16 AND FOR THE PRIVILEGE THAT IS OURS TO LIVE IN SOUTHERN
17 CALIFORNIA. THIS MORNING WE LIFT EACH MEMBER OF THE LOS
18 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THEIR FAMILIES AND THEIR
19 STAFF TO YOU ASKING FOR YOUR CARE, YOUR PROTECTION AND
20 BLESSING. THANK YOU FOR THESE DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVANTS. WE
21 ACKNOWLEDGE THE BENEFITS THAT WE ALL RECEIVE FROM THEIR
22 COLLECTIVE EXPERIENCE, EDUCATION AND WISDOM. GRANT TO THESE,
23 OUR FRIENDS, THE HEALTH AND STRENGTH AND THE STAMINA NEEDED TO
24 FACE THE DEMANDS OF LEADERSHIP. TODAY THEY WILL BE ASKED TO
25 MAKE MANY DECISIONS. SOME MAY BE ROUTINE AND UNCOMPLICATED,



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1 WHILE OTHERS MAY BE EXCEPTIONALLY COMPLEX AND DIFFICULT. GIVE
2 THEM DIVINE WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING FOR THINGS THAT SEEM TO
3 DEFY SATISFACTORY ANSWERS. MAY THEY ALWAYS BE TOUCHED BY THE
4 REALITY OF THE STRUGGLES OF ORDINARY CITIZENS. ENABLE THEM TO
5 DEMONSTRATE COMPASSION, FAIRNESS AND JUSTICE IN THEIR
6 DISCUSSIONS AND THEIR VOTES. GIVE THEM THE FORESIGHT, VISION
7 AND WISDOM THAT WILL HELP MOVE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FORWARD,
8 BECOMING AN INCREASINGLY HEALTHY, SAFE AND DESIRABLE PLACE TO
9 LIVE. WE ASK THESE BLESSINGS FOR THE GOOD OF ALL THE PEOPLE.
10 AMEN.

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12 **RONALD QUINCEY:** WOULD YOU PLEASE PLACE YOUR HANDS OVER YOUR
13 HEART, FACE THE FLAG AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
14 [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WILL BE HERE
17 SHORTLY. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
20 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO PRESENT A
21 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO MR. RONALD QUINCEY. HE'S A
22 MEMBER OF THE V.F.W., NUMBER 5394, HERE IN LONG BEACH. HE
23 SERVED OUR COUNTRY IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE FROM 1954 TO
24 1957 AS AN AIRMAN FIRST CLASS IN THE 11TH AIR WING. HIS MANY
25 DECORATIONS INCLUDE AIR FORCE GOOD CONDUCT MEDALS, A NATIONAL



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1 DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, A KOREAN DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL AND A
2 KOREAN PRESIDENTIAL CITATION. RON HAS LIVED IN THE FOURTH
3 DISTRICT FOR SIX YEARS NOW, AND HE CURRENTLY SERVES AS A
4 RESIDENT ASSISTANT AT THE GREAT PROGRAM WE HAVE ON LONG BEACH,
5 THE U.S. VETERANS INITIATIVE. SO ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD AND
6 ALL THE CITIZENS OF THE COUNTY, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO
7 AMERICA, AND WE ALSO THANK YOU FOR TAKING TIME TO COME DOWN
8 AND LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TODAY. [APPLAUSE.]

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10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** DR. HILLIARD, I THINK MR. ANTONOVICH IS
11 ON HIS WAY DOWN, SO IF YOU'LL STAND BY, WE'D ALL APPRECIATE
12 THAT. LET'S START THE AGENDA IN THE MEANTIME.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
15 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 4. AGENDA FOR THE
16 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. ON ITEM 1-D,
17 THIS ALSO INCLUDES THE REVISIONS AS INDICATED IN THE
18 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.

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20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR KNABE MOVES, BURKE
21 SECONDS, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK
24 AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEM 1-P.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** BURKE MOVES, I'LL SECOND. UNANIMOUS
2 VOTE.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I'M SORRY, MR. CHAIRMAN. I JUST RECEIVED A
5 SPEAKER SLIP FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

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7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I WILL HOLD IT UNTIL LATER.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GREAT, THANK YOU. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
10 ITEMS 1 THROUGH 6. ON ITEM NUMBER 6, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS
11 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. KNABE MOVES, BURKE SECONDS,
14 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 8, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEM 7 THROUGH
17 44. ON ITEM 39, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE
18 DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS
19 ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO NOVEMBER 6TH, 2007.

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21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WITHOUT OBJECTION?

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** IS THAT ITEM 39?

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** 39. ANY OBJECTION? WITHOUT OBJECTION,
2 THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. ONE WEEK CONTINUANCE.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 40, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
5 AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS
6 ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO NOVEMBER 13TH, 2007.

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8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE THE
9 ORDER.

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** BURKE MOVES, KNABE SECONDS; UNANIMOUS
14 VOTE.

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DISCUSSION ITEMS, ITEMS 45 THROUGH 47. ON
17 ITEM 45, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS REQUESTING THAT THIS
18 ITEM BEING CONTINUED FOR TWO WEEKS RATHER THAN ONE WEEK, WHICH
19 WAS SHOWN ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.

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21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT, WITHOUT OBJECTION, IT WILL BE
22 CONTINUED FOR TWO WEEKS.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND WE WILL HOLD ITEMS 46 AND 47 FOR
25 DISCUSSION. MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE



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1 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS
2 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ITEM 48-A.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I WILL MOVE. BURKE SECONDS. WITHOUT
5 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 48-B.

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9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** KNABE MOVES, BURKE SECONDS, UNANIMOUS
10 VOTE.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 48-C.

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14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I WILL MOVE, KNABE SECONDS, UNANIMOUS
15 VOTE.

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17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 48-D. D AS IN DAVID.

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19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH. KNABE MOVES, BURKE SECONDS;
20 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 48-E.

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24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO HOLD THIS AND TAKE IT INTO
25 CLOSED SESSION. BRIEFLY.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'LL TAKE THAT INTO CLOSED SESSION. AND
3 MR. CHAIRMAN, ON ITEM 17.

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5 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT WAS E. THAT WAS REPRESENTATION OF A
6 COUNTY EMPLOYEE.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 17 AND 34, THOSE ARE ACTUALLY FOUR-
9 VOTE MATTERS, SO IF WE COULD GO BACK AND RECONSIDER.

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11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH ITEMS?

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13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 17 AND 34 UNDER THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

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15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, I'LL MOVE; KNABE
16 SECONDS, WITHOUT OBJECTION TO RECONSIDER 17 AND 34.

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'LL HOLD THOSE FOR FOUR VOTE. AND THAT
19 COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
20 SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 2.

21

22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. I HAVE A COUPLE
23 PRESENTATIONS. FIRST, I'D LIKE TO CALL MARINE CORPS LIEUTENANT
24 COLONEL JAMES IULO. SERGEANT MAJOR DAVID HANNEN, COMBAT
25 CORRESPONDENTS FRANK LEE AND TOM PETERS AND GUNNERY SERGEANT



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1 SANTIAGO ZAPATA AND STAFF SERGEANT MIKE HELLSTED WHO ARE ALL
2 HERE FOR SPECIAL PRESENTATION. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, LADIES
3 AND GENTLEMEN, THIS IS AN ANNUAL EXERCISE WE ARE PROUD TO BE A
4 PART OF HERE AT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND THAT IS
5 DECLARING NOVEMBER 4TH THROUGH 10TH, 2007 UNITED STATES MARINE
6 CORPS WEEK. ON NOVEMBER 10TH, 1775, THE CONTINENTAL CONGRESS
7 DECLARED "LET THERE BE TWO BATTALIONS RAISED AND THAT THEY BE
8 CALLED MARINES." SINCE THEIR INCEPTION, MARINES HAVE SERVED AS
9 SHARP SHOOTERS FROM SHIPS' RIGGINGS IN CLOSE BATTLES EARNING
10 THE MARINES WELL DESERVED REPUTATIONS AS RIFLEMEN. AND SINCE
11 THE NATION TOOK ITS FIRST STEPS AS A WORLD POWER, MARINES
12 MARCHED IN STEP GUIDING AND LEADING THE COUNTRY, AND ASSERTING
13 THAT "WE WILL BE THE FIRST TO FIGHT AND CONFRONTING TROUBLE IN
14 ANY CLIME, IN ANY PLACE." MARINES HAVE SERVED WITH HONOR AND
15 DISTINCTION FROM THE HALLS OF MONTEZUMA TO THE SHORES OF
16 TRIPOLI. IN LOS ANGELES, 60 YEARS AGO, MARINES SHOWED ANOTHER
17 CARING SIDE BY LAUNCHING THE TOYS FOR TOTS PROGRAM TO INSURE
18 THAT NEEDY CHILDREN RECEIVE GIFTS DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON.
19 TODAY MARINES MAY BE AND WILL BE FOUND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD IN
20 PEACE TIME AND WAR WHERE THEY ARE PROUDLY KNOWN AND CHERISHED
21 AS AMERICA'S 911. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WANTED TO TAKE THIS
22 OPPORTUNITY TODAY TO DECLARE THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 4TH THROUGH
23 10TH UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS WEEK IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN
24 CELEBRATION OF THE MARINE CORPS'S 232ND BIRTHDAY. AND THAT ALL
25 RESIDENTS ARE URGED TO GIVE THEIR THANKS AND RESPECT TO THE



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1 U.S. MARINE CORPS FOR SELFLESS AND COURAGEOUS SERVICE TO OUR
2 COUNTRY. I GUESS WE SHOULD ADD THAT EVERYBODY PARTICIPATE IN
3 THE TOYS FOR TOTS PROGRAM, WHICH IS ONE OF THE REASONS WE
4 BROUGHT THE MARINES HERE TODAY, AS WELL. WE ARE HONORED TO
5 HAVE THE GENTLEMAN THAT I EARLIER INTRODUCED, JOIN WITH US
6 TODAY. WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU'RE DOING TO ENRICH
7 THE LIVES OF CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITY; BUT OF COURSE WE ALSO
8 WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY THROUGHOUT
9 THE HISTORY OF OUR COUNTRY, EVEN AS WE SPEAK TODAY. SO TO WHOM
10 AM I GOING TO PRESENT THIS? OKAY. THIS IS LIEUTENANT COLONEL
11 IULO. I SHOULD HAVE LOOKED AT YOUR EMBLEM. LIEUTENANT COLONEL,
12 ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, I WANT TO WISH YOU
13 WELL, TRAVEL SAFE AND THANK YOU AND TO YOUR COLLEAGUES FOR
14 YOUR SERVICE AND FOR YOUR COMPASSION. [APPLAUSE.]

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16 **LT. COL. IULO:** MR. CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
17 DISTINGUISHED GUESTS, FELLOW MARINES, ON BEHALF OF THE
18 COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS
19 TREMENDOUS HONOR. THE MARINE CORPS IS PROUD TO SERVE THIS
20 GREAT NATION AND IT IS PROUD TO SERVE THE COUNTY OF LOS
21 ANGELES. MY UNIT, SECOND BATTALION 23RD MARINES IS
22 HEADQUARTERED HERE IN PASADENA. IT'S MADE UP OF ABOUT 10
23 PERCENT ACTIVE DUTY MARINES, 90 PERCENT RESERVE MARINES, MANY
24 OF WHICH WHO LIVE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE BATTALION
25 DEPLOYED ONCE TO IRAQ AND IS SCHEDULED TO DEPLOY AGAIN IN



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1 2009. FOR THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS, THE MARINE CORPS HAS BEEN
2 FORWARD DEPLOYED FIGHTING A GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM. TO MEET
3 THE NATION'S DEMANDS, CONGRESS HAS RECENTLY INCREASED--
4 ALLOWED FOR OUR INCREASE TO A TOTAL OF 202,000 MARINES, 5,000
5 MARINES OVER THE NEXT SEVERAL YEARS. THUS FAR, WE ARE AHEAD OF
6 SCHEDULE AND WE'VE DONE SO WITHOUT LOWERING OUR RECRUITMENT
7 STANDARDS. IT WAS ONCE SAID THAT THE NATION DOES NOT NEED A
8 MARINE CORPS, BUT IT WANTS A MARINE CORPS. THE NATION WANTS A
9 MARINE CORPS THAT GETS THE JOB DONE, AND DOES SO WITHOUT
10 LOWERING ITS STANDARDS. FOR 232 YEARS, WE'VE DONE JUST THAT.
11 BUT IT COULD NOT BE ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF PEOPLE
12 JUST LIKE YOURSELVES. MR. CHAIRMAN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
13 THIS TREMENDOUS HONOR. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, LET ME RECOGNIZE
18 PASTOR DR. PHIL HILLIARD WHO SERVES AS A SENIOR PASTOR AT
19 BETHANY CHURCH OF ALHAMBRA FOR THE PAST 14 YEARS ,WHO LED US
20 IN OUR INVOCATION THIS MORNING. HE IS THE EXECUTIVE
21 PRESBYTERIAN OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT OF ASSEMBLIES
22 OF GOD WHICH OVERSEES AND FACILITATES MINISTRY IN 450
23 ASSEMBLIES OF GOD CONGREGATIONS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. HE IS
24 A MEMBER OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC EVANGELICAL DIALOGUE FOR LOS
25 ANGELES COUNTY AND PREVIOUSLY SERVED WITH THE SOUTHERN



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1 CALIFORNIA ECUMENICAL COUNCIL. A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF
2 TRUSTEES AT VANGUARD UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND IS
3 ALSO A CHAPLAIN FOR THE ALHAMBRA POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND SERVES
4 ON THE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TASKFORCE FOR THE CITY OF
5 ALHAMBRA. SO PASTOR, DOCTOR, THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN AND
6 LEADING US IN PRAYER. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. NEXT I'D LIKE TO CALL A FIRST
9 FIVE LOS ANGELES COMMISSIONER HARRIET WILLIAMS FORWARD,
10 HARRIET, THERE SHE IS. AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS DIRECTOR CAROL BAKER
11 AND HER STAFF FOR A SPECIAL PRESENTATION. ALL RIGHT. VERY
12 HONORED TO HAVE HARRIET WILLIAMS HERE. SHE IS MY COLLEAGUE ON
13 THE FIRST FIVE BOARD, AND SHE WILL BE YOUR COLLEAGUE ON THE
14 FIRST FIVE BOARD.

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16 **SUP. BURKE:** ALSO OUR APPOINTEE.

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18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YOUR APPOINTEE. AND SHE DOES A GREAT
19 JOB. SO LET ME PRESENT THIS PROCLAMATION. THIS IS FOR CHILD
20 LITERACY MONTH. AND AS WE ALL KNOW, A CHILD'S FIRST FIVE YEARS
21 OF LIFE IS A CRITICAL DEVELOPMENTAL STAGE FOR THE FORMATION OF
22 HEALTHY HABITS, INTERESTS AND SKILLS, AND THE SEEDS OF
23 INTEREST AND ABILITY TO READ MAY BE PLANTED AND NURTURED IN
24 THESE EARLY YEARS. THE POSITIVE EFFECTS OF PARENTS AND
25 CARETAKERS READING ALOUD TO CHILDREN CAN'T BE REFUTED. THE



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1 VALUE OF BOOKS AS SOURCES OF KNOWLEDGE AND ENTERTAINMENT MUST
2 BE EMBRACED BY FAMILIES OF ALL ETHNIC, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC
3 BACKGROUNDS. AND THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE STANDS TO BENEFIT
4 GREATLY FROM ITS CHILDREN'S EARLY EDUCATION AND SCHOOL
5 READINESS. FOR THIS REASON, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LOS
6 ANGELES COUNTY WANTS TO PROCLAIM NOVEMBER 27 AS-- I'M SORRY
7 NOVEMBER 2007 AS "CHILD LITERACY MONTH" AND ENCOURAGES
8 EVERYONE TO JOIN THE CELEBRATION BY READING ALOUD TO YOUNG
9 CHILDREN IN THEIR CARE AND GIVING BOOKS AS GIFTS TO YOUNG
10 CHILDREN AND THEIR PARENTS, TO ENCOURAGE READING FOR THE
11 ENTIRE FAMILY. I SPEAK FROM PERSONAL EXPERIENCE. "GOOD NIGHT,
12 MOON" IS MY FAVORITE, I'VE GOT TO SAY. [LAUGHTER.] BARBARA
13 READS IT TO ME EVERY NIGHT, AS A MATTER OF FACT. GOOD NIGHT
14 COW JUMPING OVER THE MOON. [LAUGHTER.] THOUGHT I WAS KIDDING.
15 SERIOUSLY, READING, ESPECIALLY AT AN EARLY AGE, HAS MADE ALL
16 THE DIFFERENCE IN OUR TWO KIDS AS THEY WERE GROWING UP AND I
17 KNOW IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE IN EVERY CHILD GROWING UP, AND ALL
18 THE OTHER COGNITIVE SKILL DEVELOPMENT THAT THE FIRST FIVE
19 YEARS ARE SO CRITICAL IN. SO WITH THAT IN MIND, THE BOARD
20 WANTS TO PRESENT THIS PROCLAMATION, DECLARING NOVEMBER 2007
21 "CHILD LITERACY MONTH" AND I'LL PRESENT THIS TO HARRIET.

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23 **HARRIET WILLIAMS:** THANK YOU.

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25 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU WANT TO SAY A FEW WORDS?



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HARRIET WILLIAMS: THANK YOU TO OUR CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY FOR
HELPING US TO GET THE WORD OUT ON THE FACT THAT IT IS NEVER
TOO EARLY TO READ TO A CHILD, READ EARLY AND READ ALOUD. FIRST
FIVE IS DEDICATED TO THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND EARLY EDUCATION
FOR CHILDREN FIVE AND UNDER. AND WE KNOW THAT AN IMPORTANT
PART OF HELPING KIDS BECOME READY FOR SCHOOL IS PREPARING THEM
TO BE READERS AND INSTILLING IN THEM A LOVE OF BOOKS. THERE
ARE APPROXIMATELY EIGHT COUNTIES IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA A PART
OF THIS INITIATIVE. READ EARLY AND READ ALOUD. AND WE ARE
DEVOTING, OUT OF THE FIRST FIVE MONEY, APPROXIMATELY \$700
MILLION IN EARLY EDUCATION, 24 GRANTEEES FROM FAMILY LITERACY
AND 42 FOR SCHOOL READINESS. SO, REMEMBER, ALL OF US: READ
EARLY AND READ ALOUD. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY: "RUN AWAY BUNNY" IS A GOOD ONE, TOO.

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SUP. KNABE: THAT'S YOUR THIRD FAVORITE THOUGHT

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CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY: TRY IT ON YOUR GRANDKIDS.

21

SUP. BURKE: "LIVING TREE" IS A GOOD ONE

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CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY: I COULD SEE WHAT THE BOARD HAS BEEN
READING LATELY.

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2 **SUP. KNABE:** HOW ABOUT "JUNIE B.?"

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH. LAST PRESENTATION I HAVE IS FOR
5 AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH. HERE THEY COME. OKAY. ALL
6 RIGHT. WE'RE JOINED BY A NUMBER OF PEOPLE FROM THE INDIAN
7 COMMISSION, TRIBAL CHAIRMAN ANTHONY MORALES AND OTHERS WILL BE
8 INTRODUCED IN A SECOND. IS RON ANDROTI HERE? THERE YOU ARE. I
9 DIDN'T SEE YOU. UNDER THE HAT. THE RICHNESS OF AMERICAN
10 CULTURE IS DEEPLY ROOTED AND ENHANCED BY THE DIVERSE HISTORIES
11 AND INNUMERABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE AMERICAN INDIANS.
12 AMERICAN INDIANS, NATIVE AMERICANS, WERE THE FIRST AMERICANS.
13 AND EACH AMERICAN TODAY EXPERIENCES THE LEGACY OF NATIVE
14 CONTRIBUTIONS IN GOVERNMENT, AGRICULTURE, MEDICINES, ASTRONOMY
15 AND MANY OTHER TOOLS THAT ENRICH US. THE UNITED STATES AND LOS
16 ANGELES CONTINUE TO BE INFLUENCED, CONSIDERABLY INFLUENCED I
17 MIGHT ADD, BY THE CONTRIBUTIONS TO SCIENCE, ART, MUSIC,
18 INTERNATIONAL ECONOMY. LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS HOME TO THE
19 LARGEST POPULATION OF AMERICAN INDIANS IN THE COUNTRY,
20 COMPRISED OF OVER 200,000 INDIAN PEOPLE, REPRESENTING 200
21 DIVERSE AND DISTINCT TRIBAL COMMUNITIES. LOS ANGELES CITY AND
22 COUNTY NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION WAS FOUNDED IN PART
23 TO FOSTER PRIDE, AWARENESS AND RESPECT FOR AMERICAN INDIAN
24 CULTURE AMONG THE AMERICAN INDIANS AND RESIDENTS OF LOS
25 ANGELES CITY AND COUNTY. THE BOARD WANTS TO RESOLVE AND



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1 RECOGNIZE THAT NOVEMBER 2007 BE PROCLAIMED AS AMERICAN INDIAN
2 HERITAGE MONTH IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, AND FURTHER
3 ENCOURAGES ALL CITIZENS TO JOIN IN CELEBRATION OF THE UNIQUE
4 CULTURE AND DIVERSITY OF THE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMUNITY IN LOS
5 ANGELES COUNTY. I WANT TO JUST ADD ON A PERSONAL NOTE, IN OUR
6 PART OF THE COUNTY, AND I KNOW EVERYBODY HAS THEIR STORIES,
7 BUT IN OUR PART OF THE WEST COUNTY, THE AMERICAN INDIAN NATIVE
8 AMERICAN HAS BEEN SUCH AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE HISTORY OF
9 THAT AREA AND IT HAS BECOME PART OF THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM IN
10 THAT AREA. THE RICHNESS OF OUR HISTORY, BOTH CULTURAL AND
11 OTHERWISE, WOULD NOT BE AS RICH IF IT WASN'T FOR OUR FIRST
12 INHABITANTS WHO CONTINUE TO INHABIT THAT PART OF THE COUNTY
13 AND OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTY AS WELL. AND THE ONE THING THAT
14 WE HAVE ALWAYS APPRECIATED IS THE LOVE OF THE LAND AND OF
15 NATURE AND OF THE ENVIRONMENT THAT THE NATIVE AMERICANS OF OUR
16 COUNTY AND OTHER COUNTIES HAVE HAD. SO WITH THAT, LET ME
17 PRESENT THIS TO YOU, RON, ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF
18 SUPERVISORS, THIS PROCLAMATION, AND WISH YOU WELL IN THIS
19 COMING MONTH AS "AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH." [APPLAUSE.]

20

21 **RON ANDROTI:** (SPEAKING IN NATIVE AMERICAN LANGUAGE). CHAIRMAN
22 ANTHONY MORALES, GREETINGS AND WELCOME TO ALL OF YOU. WELCOME
23 TO OUR GREAT VILLAGE OF YAGNA. YAGNA IS LOS ANGELES. I'M THE
24 TRIBAL CHAIRMAN OF THE GOVERNING OTONGWA SAN GABRIEL BAND OF
25 MISSION. INDIANS. WE ARE DESCENDANTS OF THAT ANCESTRY THAT



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1 BUILT THE SAN GABRIEL MISSION 235 YEARS AGO. AND THEN 225
2 YEARS AGO, WE WERE THE FOUNDERS OF LOS ANGELES. AGAIN, I'D
3 LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR HONORING AMERICAN
4 INDIAN MONTH NOVEMBER AS "NATIVE AMERICAN MONTH." AGAIN, THANK
5 YOU VERY MUCH FOR HONORING NATIVE AMERICA. [APPLAUSE.]

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7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
10 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I'D LIKE TO CALL UP FROM THE CHILD
11 INTERCOMMUNITY GUIDANCE CENTER, PRESIDENT JANICE RUDSATZ
12 [PH?], BOARD MEMBERS, HORTENSIO ALMOS, ADAM GRINGLINGER, PAM
13 KENNY AND A FAMILIAR FACE TO MANY OF US, MR. ERIC WEBBER, ONE
14 OF OUR HAPPY RETIREES, AS WELL AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CHARLENE
15 DIMAS PINADO, DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR VERONICA MEDINA. SINCE ITS
16 INCEPTION, THE INTERCOMMUNITY CHILD GUIDANCE CENTER HAS BEEN
17 DEVOTED TO ADDRESSING THE MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS OF CHILDREN AND
18 FAMILIES AND PROVIDING THEIR SERVICES IN A VERY PROFESSIONAL
19 AND CULTURALLY SENSITIVE MANNER. THE INTERCOMMUNITY CHILD
20 GUIDANCE CENTER HAS COME A LONG WAY SINCE 1957 WHEN TWO
21 PSYCHOLOGISTS AND A PSYCHIATRIST WITH A BUDGET OF ONLY \$7,000-
22 - THAT'S HARD TO BELIEVE-- OPENED THE DOORS OF WHAT WAS THEN
23 WHAT WAS THE CHILD GUIDANCE CLINIC OF GREATER WHITTIER. TODAY
24 THEY OPERATE OUT OF A 25,000 SQUARE FOOT BUILDING, HAVE 65
25 STAFF MEMBERS, A \$5 MILLION BUDGET AND TREAT ALMOST 5,000



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1 PATIENTS ANNUALLY. SO WE COMMEND THE CENTER ON ITS 50 YEARS OF
2 DEDICATION TO ADVOCATING ON BEHALF OF CHILDREN TO LIVE IN A
3 HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT, TO ACHIEVE THEIR FULL POTENTIAL AS WELL
4 AS EMPOWERING PARENTS TO BECOME SUCCESSFUL IN ADDRESSING THE
5 WELL-BEING OF THEIR CHILDREN. SO ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY
6 COLLEAGUES AND THE BOARD AND THE 10 MILLION RESIDENTS OF LOS
7 ANGELES COUNTY, WE SAY HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, 50 YEARS. BUT I
8 THINK THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF THIS CELEBRATION OF 50 YEARS
9 IS THE NUMBER OF LIVES, THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN THAT HAVE BEEN
10 TOUCHED BECAUSE OF 50 YEARS OF YOUR PERSONAL DEDICATION. SO WE
11 APPRECIATE THAT AND SAY A HEARTFELT THANKS. [APPLAUSE.]

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13 **SPEAKER:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
14 ON BEHALF OF THE INTERCOMMUNITY CHILD GUIDANCE CENTER, THANK
15 YOU FOR THIS BEAUTIFUL PROCLAMATION AND RECOGNIZING 50 YEARS
16 OF PROVIDING COMMUNITY-BASED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. A SPECIAL
17 THANKS TO SUPERVISOR KNABE AND HIS STAFF, RICHARD ESPINOZA AND
18 JOSEPH MATTHEWS, FOR THEIR MANY YEARS OF SUPPORT TO THE
19 AGENCY. IT IS ALWAYS A PLEASURE WORKING WITH YOU AND YOUR
20 STAFF. WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION TO DR.
21 MARVIN SOUTHARD FOR HIS LEADERSHIP AND VISION IN EXPANDING
22 COMMUNITY-BASED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES TO CHILDREN. AGAIN,
23 THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN
24 AND FAMILIES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.



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1 **SPEAKER:** ON BEHALF OF THE I.C.G.C. BOARD, I WOULD LIKE TO
2 THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR TRUST AND COMMITMENT
3 TO OUR AGENCY. AND WE HOPE TO SERVE FOR ANOTHER 50 YEARS.
4 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I'D LIKE TO
7 ASK PETER BRAUN WHO IS PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF THE ALZHEIMER'S
8 ASSOCIATION, EARL GRENITZ, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, CHERYL GRIN
9 AND BARBARA MCLANDON, LYNNE ATKINS, DAVID SOLOMON AND ANTHONY
10 RENDON, ALL FROM THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION. BUT WE ALSO HAVE
11 A VERY SPECIAL GUEST WITH US TODAY, AND THAT IS DORIS DANA,
12 THE WIFE OF FORMER COUNTY SUPERVISOR, DEANE DANA. WE'RE
13 HONORED TO HAVE DORIS HERE, AS WELL, TODAY AND WE APPRECIATE
14 HER BEING HERE. THE CALIFORNIA SOUTHLAND CHAPTER OF
15 ALZHEIMER'S WILL SPONSOR THE 15TH ANNUAL MEMORY WALK 2007 THIS
16 SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH, AT THE WATER COURT OF THE CALIFORNIA
17 PLAZA IN DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES. THE 2-MILE WALK IS AN IMPORTANT
18 FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT RESEARCH AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS. IT ALSO
19 PROMOTES THE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THIS DISEASE, WHICH IS NOW
20 THE EIGHTH LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH FOR OUR COUNTY RESIDENTS. IN
21 L.A. COUNTY, DEATHS FROM THE DISEASE HAVE RISEN OVER 220
22 PERCENT IN THE LAST DECADE. ONE IN TEN PERSONS OVER THE AGE OF
23 65 AND HALF OF THE PERSONS OVER THE AGE OF 85 HAVE BEEN
24 DIAGNOSED WITH THIS TERRIBLE DISEASE. ON SEPTEMBER 11TH, I
25 INTRODUCED A MOTION ENCOURAGING ALL COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND



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1 PEOPLE WATCHING THE MEETING TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS WALK. AND
2 WE ONCE AGAIN WOULD LIKE TO REMIND ALL OF YOU AND ENCOURAGE
3 YOUR PARTICIPATION THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH, AT 9 A.M.? IS
4 THAT THE-- 8:30, SO YOU WON'T MISS THE START AT 9 A.M. RIGHT
5 DOWN THE STREET HERE AT THAT BEAUTIFUL WATER COURT. SO WE WANT
6 TO RECOGNIZE THE MEMORY WALK 2007 DAY TODAY AND TO REMIND ALL
7 THE CITIZENS OF THE COUNTY IF THEY CAN JOIN US ON SUNDAY, WE'D
8 APPRECIATE IT. AND AGAIN, A VERY SPECIAL THANKS TO DORIS DANA
9 FOR BEING DOWN HERE AS WELL, TODAY, AS WE HONOR THE MEMORY OF
10 HER HUSBAND, DEANE, AND MY BOSS.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE, AND THANK YOU TO THE
13 ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND TO DORIS DANA. TO DORIS DANA,
14 THE LATE SUPERVISOR DEANE DANA'S WIFE, WHO IS WITH US THIS
15 MORNING, IT'S AN HONOR TO MEET YOU, MA'AM. YOUR SUPPORT, BOARD
16 OF SUPERVISORS, WILL HELP BUILD AWARENESS ABOUT ALZHEIMER'S
17 DISEASE, THE EPIDEMIC OF THE 21ST CENTURY, EDUCATE THE
18 CITIZENS OF OUR COUNTY, AND CHANGE THE FACE OF THIS DISEASE.
19 WE AT THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE SUPPORT
20 OF OUR COUNTY, AND WE APPLAUD YOU FOR GETTING INVOLVED IN A
21 CAUSE THAT SO DRASTICALLY IMPACTS OUR CITIZENS. FIVE MILLION
22 AMERICANS ARE NOW LIVING WITH ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE, OVER 1
23 50,000 IN L.A. COUNTY ALONE. FOR EVERY PERSON WITH THE
24 DISEASE, THEIR HUSBAND, WIFE, SON OR DAUGHTER. WE ALL KNOW IF
25 WE DON'T SLOW THE GROWTH OF THESE DISEASE, THE NUMBERS WILL



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1 SKYROCKET BECAUSE OF THE HUGE WAVE OF THE BABY BOOMER
2 GENERATION AND THE AGING OF OUR SOCIETY. WE HOPE THAT THE
3 SUPPORT OF OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO
4 JOIN US IN DOWNTOWN L.A. FOR MEMORY WALK THIS COMING SUNDAY,
5 NOVEMBER 4TH, TO RAISE FUNDS AND TO RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT
6 ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE. THE FUNDS THAT WE RAISE THIS COMING
7 SUNDAY WILL HELP THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION DO ITS CRITICAL
8 WORK OF CARING FOR THOSE DEVASTATED BY THIS DISEASE AND FUND
9 RESEARCH THAT IS SO DESPERATELY NEEDED. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR
10 SUPPORT. [APPLAUSE.]

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12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** DON, IS THAT THE LAST?

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S IT.

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16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH? SUPERVISOR
17 ANTONOVICH FOR PRESENTATIONS.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'RE EXTREMELY PROUD OF THE PROFESSIONALISM
20 AND DEDICATION THAT THE MEN AND WOMEN OF OUR SHERIFF'S
21 DEPARTMENT HAVE AND CONTINUE TO HAVE IN ASSISTING THE FIRE
22 DEPARTMENT IN THE RECENT TRAGEDIES THAT OCCURRED ON THE 5/14
23 TUNNEL DISASTER AND THEN THE DEVASTATING FIRES THAT OCCURRED
24 IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AND MALIBU. BUT THIS WAS A VERY
25 INTERESTING SITUATION THAT OCCURRED. AND BECAUSE A CRIME WAS



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1 COMMITTED AND THEY CAN'T FIND THE SUSPECTS, THE SHERIFF'S
2 DEPARTMENT HAS REFUSED TO GIVE UP AND WILL CONTINUE TO WORK
3 DAY AND NIGHT TO ENSURE THAT JUSTICE WILL PREVAIL. AND TODAY,
4 THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF THAT TYPE OF DEDICATION. A FRIEND OF
5 OURS, A FRIEND OF THE COMMUNITY, WAS TRAGICALLY MURDERED AT
6 HIS RANCH, DR. KADIVAR, IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. HE HAD MEDICAL
7 OFFICES IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND A RANCH. AND HE RAISED
8 ALFALFA, PISTACHIO NUTS. HE WAS ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN THE
9 COMMUNITY HELPING WITH MANY CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS AND BEING
10 THERE. ON JULY 5TH, 2006, HE WAS MURDERED BY NICHOLAS CORDOBA
11 WHO WAS A HIRED HAND WHO LIVED ON HIS PROPERTY FOR SEVERAL
12 YEARS. HE HAD ALLEGEDLY ARRANGED FOR TWO CONSPIRATORS TO KILL
13 STEVE WHILE HE WAS ALONE FEEDING HIS ANIMALS. AFTER THE
14 MURDER, HE ALLEGEDLY CONVINCED ONE OF THE CONSPIRATORS,
15 MARTINEZ, TO BUY IN AS A PARTNER IN THE RANCHING OPERATION
16 THAT CORDOBA WAS NOW GOING TO RUN, BUT IN EARLY 2007, THEY HAD
17 A FALLING OUT, SO CORDOBA HAD HIM MURDERED. TO EXCELLENT
18 INVESTIGATIVE WORK BY THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
19 DETECTIVES LED TO THE BREAKS IN THIS CASE THAT TIED THE
20 MARTINEZ AND THE KADIVAR MURDERS TOGETHER, WHICH WAS GOING TO
21 BRING JUSTICE TO THE COMMUNITY. AND TODAY WE HAVE WITH US THE
22 FAMILY MEMBERS, DR. KADIVAR WHO WAS A PHYSICIAN IN LOS ANGELES
23 COUNTY AND STEVE'S SISTER AND HER SON CYRUS SHADARI [PH?], WHO
24 WAS ALSO AN INTERN AT MY OFFICE, A STUDENT AT THE UNIVERSITY
25 OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND STEVE'S BROTHER DAVID. AND WE'RE



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1 GOING TO RECOGNIZE COMMANDER PETER AMICO, CHIEF RICHARD
2 CASTRO, LIEUTENANT DAVID SMITH, SERGEANT JOHN CORINA,
3 SERGEANTS CRAIG DISICH, DEPUTIES GARY CITGA, TODD ANDERSON,
4 MARGARITA BARON AND DAMARON PAYTON FOR DOING WHAT MANY THOUGHT
5 WAS THE IMPOSSIBLE, BUT NEVER GIVING UP AND BRINGING JUSTICE
6 BY FINDING THOSE WHO WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS MURDER. SO
7 FIRST LET ME BRING UP LIEUTENANT SMITH. [APPLAUSE.] CRAIG?
8 [APPLAUSE.] DAMARON? [APPLAUSE.] JOHN? [APPLAUSE.] JERRY?
9 [APPLAUSE.] MARGARITA? [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **MRS. KADIVAR:** I'M DOCTOR KADIVAR'S WIFE. YOU DIDN'T INTRODUCE
12 ME

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THIS IS STEVE'S WIFE, DR. KADIVAR'S WIFE.
15 [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **HAKEEM KADIVAR:** MY NAME IS HAKEEM KADIVAR. I AM STEVE
18 KADIVAR'S SISTER. I THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MR.
19 CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, WHO HAS BEEN WONDERFUL
20 REPRESENTATIVE OF ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA. AND WE ARE HONORED TO
21 HAVE HIM HERE. HE HAS BEEN TREMENDOUS HELP FOR US. WE THANK
22 YOU ALL. AND WE ARE VERY PROUD THAT YOU ARE THE SUPERVISORS OF
23 LOS ANGELES. HOWEVER, IT'S TIME FOR ME TO AGAIN THANK THE TEAM
24 OF DETECTIVES. THEY HAVE BEEN TREMENDOUS HELP, NOT ONLY TO
25 FIND THE MURDERER OF MY BROTHER, ALSO THEY HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY



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1 UNDERSTANDING, HELPFUL AND HONEST WITH US. I HAVE BEEN IN
2 TOUCH WITH THE DETECTIVE CITGA EVERY WEEK DESPITE ALL THE BUSY
3 TIME THE DAY, NIGHT AND WEEKEND HE HAS RETURNED OUR CALLS, HE
4 HAS BEEN ALWAYS SUPPORTIVE OF THE FAMILY. AND WE VERY MUCH
5 APPRECIATE THAT. BUT KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK. AND WE ARE PROUD
6 TO BE THE CITIZENS THAT WE HAVE DETECTIVES LIKE THIS TEAM AND
7 SUPERVISORS LIKE YOU. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS STEVE'S WIFE, MRS. KADIVAR.

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11 **MRS. KADIVAR:** YES. I'M PARVANA. KADIVAR. ESFANDIAR WAS MY
12 HUSBAND. AND I'M SO GLAD WE'RE HERE TODAY TO SAY THANK YOU TO
13 ALL THE DETECTIVES FOR ALL THE HARD WORK, LIKE MY SISTER-IN-
14 LAW SAID, DAY AND NIGHT. AND I WANT TO TELL YOU THAT FOR A
15 WHILE AFTER MY HUSBAND WAS MURDERED, WE ALMOST LOST HOPE. IT
16 WASN'T GOING ANYWHERE. AND THEN SLOWLY THINGS STARTED
17 HAPPENING AND SOLVING THE CASE. EVERYBODY WHO KNOWS ME KNOWS
18 HOW MUCH I APPRECIATE EVERYTHING YOU GUYS DID. THANK YOU SO
19 MUCH. AND THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'LL DO A GROUP PICTURE, THEN.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THIS MORNING
24 PAUL NISSAN, FOUNDER OF MARCH AGAINST TERROR U.S.A., GRACE
25 MICHAEL, THE VICE, U.S. CAMPAIGN , FOR BURMA, ORTISTES PINA,



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1 FERNANDO MARQUET MARIA CONCHITA ALONZO. DEBRA BARNETT AND
2 CAPTAIN STEVEN JOHNSON OF THE LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
3 MAJOR'S CRIME BUREAU AND DUNGH TRUONG REFORM PARTY AS WE
4 PROCLAIM MAY 12TH AS THE NATIONAL DAY OF WORLD FREEDOM
5 ALLIANCE WHICH IS AN ANNUAL DAY OF REDEDICATION TO YEAR-ROUND
6 AWARENESS AGAINST TYRANNY, AND THE BELIEF THAT WORLD FREEDOM
7 IS THE PATH TO WORLD PEACE THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY, STATE AND
8 NATION. IN SUPPORT OF GLOBAL FREEDOM AND PEACE, THE NATIONAL
9 DAY OF WORLD FREEDOM ALLIANCE AIMS TO RAISE AWARENESS OF THE
10 PLIGHT OF OPPRESSED PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD AND MOBILIZE OUR
11 NATION TO MEET THEIR SOLEMN OBLIGATION TO HELP LIBERATE THOSE
12 THAT LIVE UNDER TYRANNY. OUR NATION IS A BEACON OF FREEDOM FOR
13 THE ENTIRE WORLD, ITS GOVERNMENT AND CITIZENS, AND WE MAINTAIN
14 THE RESPONSIBILITY OF LEADING THE WORLD TO THE HIGHEST LEVELS
15 OF FREEDOM, JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS. THE NATION OF BURMA,
16 WHICH IS GENERALLY ONE OF THE MOST REPRESSIVE, ABUSIVE
17 REGIMES, HIGHLIGHTS THE NEEDS FOR AMERICANS TO WORK TO BRING
18 ABOUT CHANGE FOR THOSE COMMUNITIES SEEKING FREEDOM THROUGHOUT
19 THE WORLD. PRESIDENT BUSH'S WIFE LAURA HAS PUBLICLY CONDEMNED
20 THE BURMESE MILITARY REGIME FOR THE DEPLORABLE ACTS OF
21 VIOLENCE BEING PERPETUATED AGAINST THE BUDDHIST MONKS AND
22 PEACEFUL THE DEMONSTRATORS. PRESIDENT BUSH HAS HELPED IMPOSE
23 ECONOMIC SANCTIONS ON THE REGIME AND CALLED ON ALL NATIONS,
24 ESPECIALLY THOSE CLOSEST TO BURMA, THAT HAVE THE MOST
25 INFLUENCE WITH THE REGIME. TO SUPPORT THE ASPIRATIONS OF THE



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1 BURMESE PEOPLE, AND JOIN IN CONDEMNING THE JUNTA'S USE OF
2 VIOLENCE ON ITS OWN PEOPLE. THE UNITED STATES STAND BEHIND
3 THOSE PEOPLE IN BURMA, ALONG WITH THE PEOPLE OF VIETNAM, CUBA,
4 IRAN AND NORTH KOREA WHO ARE SEEKING DEMOCRACY AND FREEDOM IN
5 THEIR HOMELANDS, FRIENDSHIP WITH THE UNITED STATES AND NO
6 LONGER POSE AN IMMEDIATE THREAT TO THEIR NEIGHBORING
7 COUNTRIES. LET ME GIVE THIS PROCLAMATION ON BEHALF OF THE
8 COUNTY.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS FOR SUPPORTING THE STRUGGLE AGAINST TYRANNY. ALSO
12 SPECIAL THANKS TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR MAKING THIS
13 RESOLUTION POSSIBLE. YOUR DESIGNATION ON MAY 12TH OF EACH YEAR
14 AS NATIONAL DAY OF WORLD FREEDOM ALLIANCE THROUGHOUT THE
15 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WILL HELP BRING ENCOURAGEMENT TO MANY
16 PEOPLE LIVING UNDER OPPRESSIVE RULE. THE NATIONAL DAY OF WORLD
17 FREEDOM ALLIANCE IS INTENDED TO DO THREE THINGS: ONE, TO HELP
18 ENCOURAGE THE PUBLIC TO JOIN THE MOVEMENT AGAINST TYRANNY
19 WORLDWIDE. TWO, TO HELP PROMOTE AND MAINTAIN UNITY WITHIN THE
20 MOVEMENT. AND, THREE, TO HELP ENCOURAGE THE OPPRESSED PEOPLE
21 AROUND THE WORLD TAKE NONVIOLENT ACTION AGAINST THEIR
22 OPPRESSORS. JOINING ME HERE TODAY TO SAY A FEW WORDS ARE
23 REPRESENTATIVES FROM COMMUNITIES WHOSE NATIVE COUNTRIES ARE
24 SUFFERING UNDER OPPRESSIVE RULE. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR
25 SUPPORTING THE STRUGGLE AGAINST TYRANNY. THANK YOU.



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SPEAKER: I'M VERY GRATEFUL TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR RECOGNIZING MAY 12TH AS THE NATIONAL DAY OF WORLD FREEDOM ALLIANCE. THE BOARD DEMONSTRATES LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S ONGOING COMMITMENT TO GLOBAL FREEDOM AND PEACE. AND THIS IS ESPECIALLY CRITICAL TODAY IN THE NATION OF BURMA, THE NATION WHICH MY MOTHER WAS BORN IN. SHE CAME TO THE UNITED STATES TWO YEARS AFTER THAT COUNTRY WAS OVERTHROWN BY A BRUTAL MILITARY REGIME, WHICH CONTINUES IN SOME FORM TO THIS DAY. AND AS YOU HAVE SEEN IN THE NEWS RECENTLY, THAT REGIME HAS CONTINUED TO PERPETRATE GROSS HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AGAINST ITS OWN PEOPLE, INCLUDING THROGS OF MONKS WHO MARCHED PEACEFULLY IN THE STREETS OF RANGOON, BURMA IN RECENT WEEKS. HUNDREDS OF WHOM WERE KILLED AND THOUSANDS OF WHOM WERE ARRESTED IN A SUBSEQUENT CRACKDOWN. IN ADDITION TO THIS, THERE'S ONGOING HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS OCCURRING IN EASTERN BURMA AMONG MANY ETHNIC MINORITY PEOPLE GROUPS. IN ALL OF THESE SITUATIONS, THERE'S A GREAT NEED FOR CHANGE AND A GREAT NEED FOR AWARENESS. SO I'M VERY GRATEFUL TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR TAKING A LEADERSHIP STEP IN BECOMING AWARE OF THE SITUATION IN BURMA AND IN THE OTHER COUNTRIES THAT ARE RECOGNIZED ON THIS NATIONAL DAY. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

23

DUNGH TRUONG: MY NAME IS DUNGH TRUONG I'M REPRESENTING THE VIETNAM REFORM PARTY. OUR MISSION IS TO BRING BACK DEMOCRACY



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1 AND FREEDOM TO VIETNAM THROUGH NONVIOLENT MEANS. I WOULD LIKE
2 TO ALSO, ON BEHALF OF THE VIETNAMESE AMERICAN COMMUNITY IN LOS
3 ANGELES, THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
4 FOR MAKING THIS PROCLAMATION POSSIBLE. THIS IS A GREAT DAY
5 BECAUSE AS MOST OF US IN THE DEMOCRACY ACTIVIST MOVEMENT ALSO
6 KNOW, THAT EVERY SUCCESSFUL STRUGGLE AGAINST TYRANNY REQUIRES
7 A LOT OF INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT. AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS
8 THE FIRST TO RECOGNIZE THE ALLIANCE OF SUCH SUPPORT IS
9 CRITICAL TO THE VERY FEW COUNTRIES THAT ARE STILL UNDER THE
10 TYRANNY, SUCH AS NORTH KOREA, VIETNAM, IRAN, BURMA. AND SUCH
11 A SUPPORT IS A HISTORICAL STEP BECAUSE THIS IS ONLY THE
12 BEGINNING. I THINK THAT THE NEXT STEP IS TO GO TO THE STATE
13 AND ASK THE STATE FOR SUPPORT FOR SUCH A NATIONAL DAY FOR
14 WORLD FREEDOM ALLIANCE. I BELIEVE THAT ALL OF US HERE WILL
15 JOIN HANDS WITH THE PEOPLE OF VIETNAM, AS WELL AS BURMA, AS
16 WELL AS NORTH KOREA AND CUBA, AS WELL AS ANY OTHER COUNTRY WHO
17 ARE UNDER TYRANNY. WHEN WE SEE THAT FREEDOM RESTORED BACK TO
18 THOSE COUNTRIES BECAUSE OUR DEEPEST BELIEF IS THAT EVERY
19 COUNTRY COULD ONLY CONDUCT THE BEST DIPLOMATIC RELATIONSHIP
20 WITH THE UNITED STATES WHEN THAT COUNTRY IS A FREE COUNTRY AND
21 HONORS HUMAN RIGHTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **CAPTAIN STEVEN JOHNSON:** I JUST WANT SO SAY QUICKLY AS A
24 REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
25 DEPARTMENT, CAPTAIN STEVEN JOHNSON FROM THE MAJOR CRIMES



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1 BUREAU, THAT MANY OF THESE VICTIMS COME TO OUR SHORES SADLY AS
2 VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WORKS
3 COOPERATIVELY WITH THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT AND ALL
4 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHIEFS OF POLICE AND LOCAL AND FEDERAL
5 PROSECUTORS THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY AND MR. COOLEY HERE,
6 AGGRESSIVELY WITH BOTH PUBLIC AGENCIES AND NONGOVERNMENTAL
7 AGENCIES TO SEEK OUT THESE VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND TO
8 PROVIDE THEM THE TYPE OF SERVICES THAT THEY NEED AS THEY COME
9 HERE IN INDENTURED SERVITUDE TO OUR SHORES AS A RESULT OF
10 THESE REGIMES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, FOR
11 YOUR PROCLAMATION TODAY. WE APPRECIATE IT. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME RUSSELL LEE, WHO
14 IS THE FOUNDER OF HERO APPRECIATION NETWORK FOR A SPECIAL
15 PRESENTATION TO OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THE HERO
16 APPRECIATION NETWORK AWARD SCHOLARSHIPS IN THE NAME OF FALLEN
17 HEROES TO AT-RISK YOUTH SO THAT THEY CAN ATTEND A COLLEGE OR
18 VOCATIONAL SCHOOL. IT'S THE GOAL OF THE PROGRAM THAT THESE
19 STUDENTS WILL BECOME THE LIVING MEMORIALS FOR THE FALLEN WHOSE
20 NAME IS ON THE SCHOLARSHIPS THAT THEY RECEIVE. LAST YEAR A
21 MOTION WAS PASSED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND MYSELF TO
22 DONATE THE COUNTY'S EXPENDED INKJET CARTRIDGES TO THE HERO
23 APPRECIATION NETWORK WHICH RECYCLES THOSE AND USES 100 PERCENT
24 OF THE FUNDS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS. AND TO DATE THEY HAVE GENERATED



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1 OVER \$25,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS TO OUR YOUNG. SO LET ME BRING UP
2 RUSSELL AT THIS TIME AND SAY A FEW WORDS.

3

4 **RUSSELL LEE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. FIRST OF ALL, THE BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS, THE BOARD CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT IS
6 MY HONOR AND GREAT PLEASURE TO REPRESENT THE HERO APPRECIATION
7 NETWORK AND TO BRING FORTH THOSE THAT ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE
8 PROGRAM WITH US THAT WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU
9 HAVE DONE. WE ALSO KNOW WE ALL AGREE THAT PART OF THE SOLUTION
10 TO THE PROBLEMS FACING YOUNG PEOPLE TODAY IS HIGHER EDUCATION.
11 YOU'VE TAKEN A PROACTIVE POSITION IN THIS AREA AND PROVIDED US
12 WITH ACCESS TO THE COUNTY'S USED AND EXPENDED RECYCLABLE
13 MATERIALS. 100 PERCENT, AS SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAS ALREADY
14 STATED, GO TO THE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. AND WE
15 WANT TO THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH. I KNOW THAT MOST OF YOU KNOW
16 THAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY ALSO AT OUR PRATT WHITNEY PROGRAM
17 NOTED CLEARLY THAT HE USES ALL HIS INKJET, THE INK UNTIL, YOU
18 SAY IT, UNTIL THE LAST DROP. BUT RIGHT NOW, LADIES AND
19 GENTLEMEN, I'D LIKE TO HAVE KEN CRAWFORD, CHAPLAIN KEN
20 CRAWFORD OF THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT COME UP AND SAY-
21 - HAVE THE INVOCATION FOR US AND THEN WE HAVE OTHERS THAT WILL
22 BE TAKING A MINUTE TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE BOARD OF
23 SUPERVISORS FOR WHAT YOU ALL HAVE DONE. YOU'VE REALLY REACHED
24 OUT IN A MAJOR WAY TO OUR YOUTH. THIS IS REALLY OUTSTANDING.
25 SO CAN WE HAVE CHAPLAIN KEN CRAWFORD COME UP?



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2 **CHAPLAIN KEN CRAWFORD** : MAY WE ALL PLEASE STAND FOR THE
3 PRAYER, PLEASE? FATHER, WE THANK YOU AND WE GLORIFY YOUR NAME
4 FOR THIS WONDERFUL DAY, LORD. AND WE THANK YOU, LORD, FOR
5 THESE SUPERVISORS, LEADERS OF THIS COMMUNITY, LORD, WHO HAVE
6 DONE A VERY PROACTIVE THING TO HELP THOSE, LORD, IN OUR
7 COMMUNITY EXCEED TO THE HIGHEST OF THEIR GIVEN TALENTS. LORD,
8 AND WE THANK YOU FOR THOSE WHO CAME TO SUPPORT THIS TODAY,
9 LORD. AND WE ASK THAT ALL IN LOS ANGELES WILL SEE THIS AS A
10 GREAT PROGRAM, FATHER, THAT CAN HELP OUR CHILDREN THROUGHOUT
11 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. BLESS THESE LEADERS, LORD. GIVE
12 THEM STRENGTH AND GIVE THEM POWER TO CREATE AND LEAD THIS
13 COUNTY, LORD, INTO THE NEXT CENTURY, FATHER. GOD, BLESS EACH
14 ONE OF THE DISTRICTS, MAY CALM AND PEACE BE ABOUT IT AND MAY
15 YOU GIVE THEM ALWAYS FAVOR, FATHER, TO MAKE THOSE TOUGH
16 DECISIONS, LORD, TO GUIDE ALL OF US AND LEAD ALL OF US. GOD, I
17 PRAY ALSO FOR ALL OF OUR MILITARY AND FOR ALL OF OUR
18 FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS, LORD, WHO ARE SERVING SO
19 DILIGENTLY TO KEEP US SAFE NOT ONLY HERE IN AMERICA BUT
20 THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. BLESS ALL THIS IN YOUR MIGHTY NAME WE
21 PRAY. AND THOSE WHO AGREE SAID, AMEN.

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23 **RUSSELL LEE**: AND NOW WE'D LIKE TO BRING UP SOME OF THE
24 SUPPORTERS AND PARTNERS THAT ARE WITH THE HERO APPRECIATION



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1 NETWORK. AND WE'D LIKE TO START WITH THE LOS ANGELES POLICE
2 DEPARTMENT PROTECTIVE LEAGUE.

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4 **RAMON ESPINOSA:** GOOD MORNING. AS A DIRECTOR, MY NAME IS RAMON
5 ESPINOSA AND A REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE LOS ANGELES POLICE
6 PROTECTIVE LEAGUE. I WISH TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
7 FOR THEIR ASSISTANCE WITH THIS PARTICULAR PROGRAM. IT IS AN
8 EXCELLENT PROGRAM. ANY TIME WE CAN HELP OUR YOUTH, THE FUTURE
9 OF THIS COUNTRY, IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE AND ESPECIALLY WHEN THEY
10 DO IT IN THE HONOR OF ONE OF OUR FALLEN OFFICERS. SO ON BEHALF
11 OF THE LEAGUE, THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION. [APPLAUSE.]

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13 **RUSSELL LEE:** I WOULD LIKE TO BRING UP FROM THE MAYOR'S OFFICE,
14 REVEREND LEONARD JACKSON.

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16 **REV. LEONARD JACKSON:** SUPERVISORS, FAMILY, FRIENDS, FIRST OF
17 ALL, THANK YOU, THANK YOU FOR HEROES APPRECIATION. THIS IS A
18 GREAT DAY, FOR WE STAND UNITED SHOWING WHAT GOVERNMENT,
19 CLERGY, COMMON CITIZENS CAN DO WHEN WE COME TOGETHER, BUT MOST
20 OF ALL WHEN WE COME TOGETHER FOR A COMMON CAUSE, TO UPLIFT OUR
21 CHILDREN, UPLIFT OUR COMMUNITY. OUR CHARGE IS TO KEEP THE
22 FAITH, KEEP OUR HANDS TOGETHER LOCK STEP AND CONTINUE TO MOVE
23 FORWARD. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION. GOD BLESS AND
24 KEEP YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **RUSSELL LEE:** I WOULD LIKE TO BRING DR. TIJARINO FROM THE LOS
2 ANGELES LATIN UNIVERSITY AND HIS INTERPRETER.

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4 **DR. MANUEL TIJARINO:** (SPEAKING IN SPANISH) (INTERPRETED: GOOD
5 MORNING, MY NAME IS

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7 **DR. MANUEL TIJARINO.** I AM THE PRESIDENT AND SPOKESMAN FOR THE
8 HISPANIC CHURCHES HERE IN LOS ANGELES.)

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10 **>>DR. MANUEL TIJARINO (SPEAKING IN SPANISH)**

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12 **>>(INTERPRETED:** I'M HERE WITH A GROUP OF HISPANIC PASTORS
13 REPRESENTING LOS ANGELES. IN GRATITUDE, TO SHOW OUR GRATITUDE
14 TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR WHAT YOU'RE DOING.

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16 **DR. MANUEL TIJARINO (SPEAKING IN SPANISH) (INTERPRETED:**
17 ESPECIALLY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.)

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19 **DR. MANUEL TIJARINO (SPEAKING IN SPANISH) (INTERPRETED:** IT'S
20 EXTRAORDINARY, THE PULL THAT WE HAVE AND THE ENCOURAGEMENT
21 THAT WE GET FROM REVEREND LEE IN THESE PROGRAMS.

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23 **DR. MANUEL TIJARINO (SPEAKING IN SPANISH) (INTERPRETED:** THANK
24 YOU FOR THESE EFFORTS AND WE HISPANIC PASTORS, WE LOVE LOS
25 ANGELES AND WE CONTINUE PRAYING FOR LOS ANGELES.) [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **RUSSELL LEE:** AND NOW I'D LIKE TO BRING UP MRS. SALLY BELMONTE
3 FROM THE ROTARY CLUB REPRESENTING THE FIVE DISTRICTS OF THE
4 LOS ANGELES AND THE ROTARIES IN THOSE DISTRICTS.

5

6 **SALLY ADELBLUE:** FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO THANK CHAIRMAN
7 YAROSLAVSKY AS WELL AS ALL THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR
8 PARTICIPATION. MY NAME IS SALLY ADELBLUE AND I'M THE PAST
9 DISTRICT GOVERNOR OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 5240 AND
10 I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF ROTARIANS WORLDWIDE WHO HAVE FOUND THAT
11 IT IS ONLY THROUGH THE CITIZENS THAT WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.
12 THAT WE NEED TO PARTNER WITH OUR CLERGY, WITH OUR PUBLIC
13 SAFETY OFFICERS AS WELL AS OUR PARENTS AND EDUCATORS. AND WE
14 HAVE FOUND THAT THE HERO APPRECIATION NETWORK MEETS ALL OF
15 THOSE NEEDS AND WILL ONLY, THROUGH THE DONATIONS OF OUR TIME,
16 OUR PASSION FOR EDUCATING OUR YOUTH, AND THIS IS A PROGRAM
17 THAT FITS ALL OF THOSE NEEDS. WE ARE RECYCLING, WHICH IS
18 HELPING THE ENVIRONMENT. WE ARE TRYING TO ERADICATE CRIME. BUT
19 WE ARE RAISING OUR YOUTH OUT OF POVERTY THROUGH EDUCATION. AND
20 THAT COMES WITH THE AFFILIATION OF OUR CLERGY, OUR CITIZENS,
21 OUR GOVERNMENT AS WELL AS OUR PARENTS AND ROTARIANS WORLDWIDE.
22 THANK YOU SO MUCH THIS MORNING, AND RUSSELL LEE FOR YOUR
23 VISION IN SEEING THAT THE HERO APPRECIATION NETWORK, AND
24 BRINGING ALL OF THESE FOLKS TOGETHER, WE WILL MAKE A
25 DIFFERENCE WITH OUR YOUTH. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **RUSSELL LEE:** WE ONLY HAVE A COUPLE MORE SPEAKERS AND THAT'S
3 ABOUT IT. BUT I WOULD LIKE TO, FIRST OF ALL, HAVE CHIEF ALBA,
4 ANTHONY ALBA COME UP AND SAY A WORD.

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6 **CHIEF ANTHONY ALBA:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS AND FELLOW
7 CITIZENS AND MEMBERS OF THE HERO APPRECIATION NETWORK. THIS IS
8 A RARE OPPORTUNITY. I'M RECENTLY RETIRED AS THE CHIEF OF
9 POLICE FOR THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO AFTER 37 YEARS OF PUBLIC
10 SAFETY WORK WITH THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT, 31 YEARS
11 AND THEN AS CHIEF OF POLICE FOR THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO. IT'S
12 A RARE OPPORTUNITY TO BE ABLE TO DO SOME FRONT-END
13 INTERVENTION. AND WITH THE HEROES APPRECIATION NETWORK, WE'RE
14 GOING TO BE ABLE TO GIVE AWAY \$5,000 SCHOLARSHIPS TO AT-RISK
15 CHILDREN, AT-RISK YOUTH FROM THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS
16 ANGELES REGARDLESS OF THEIR BACKGROUND, REGARDLESS OF WHERE
17 THEY'RE GOING TO GO, WHETHER IT'S COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY, A TRADE
18 SCHOOL. IT MAKES NO DIFFERENCE. WHAT WE'RE PROVIDING IS
19 OPPORTUNITY FOR PEOPLE TO BECOME RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS IN OUR
20 COMMUNITY AND ESCAPE THE ILLS OF DRUGS, GANGS, GRAFFITI AND
21 ALL THOSE OTHER THINGS. SO IT'S WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I
22 JOIN WITH MY ESTEEMED COLLEAGUES IN THE HEROES APPRECIATION
23 NETWORK. AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH, COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
24 PARTICULARLY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND ANTONOVICH FOR YOUR



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1 SUPPORT OF THE HERO APPRECIATION NETWORK. THANK YOU.

2 [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **RUSSELL LEE:** RIGHT NOW I'D LIKE TO BRING UP PASTOR MORENO,
5 PASTOR MORENO FROM THE CHATSWORTH _____ CHURCH.

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7 **PASTOR MORENO:** GOOD MORNING. I JUST WANT TO REPRESENT THE FACT
8 THAT I REPRESENT THE FAITH COMMUNITY AND OUR WILLINGNESS TO
9 PARTNER WITH THE SUPERVISORS AND ALL THE OTHER LEADERS OF OUR
10 COMMUNITY. IT'S A PRIVILEGE. I SEE THE WONDERFUL ENVIRONMENT
11 HERE, BUT THE REALITY IS MANY PEOPLE OUTSIDE THESE WALLS ARE
12 GOING TO GO HOME, THEY'RE GOING TO FACE MANY DIFFICULT
13 CHALLENGES WITH THEIR YOUNG PEOPLE. AND WE'RE GOING TO WORK
14 TOGETHER TO MAKE SURE THAT WE SEE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE STAY OUT OF
15 OUR JUVENILE HALLS, STAY OUT OF OUR PROBLEM SITUATIONS AND
16 ALLOW THEM TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN EVERYTHING THAT THEY DO. THANK
17 YOU FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP. WE APPRECIATE IT. [APPLAUSE.]

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19 **RUSSELL LEE:** I'D LIKE TO BRING ALSO A GENTLEMAN WHO IS THE
20 HEAD OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, WHICH IS MR. LEO MILANO.

21

22 **LEO MORANAN:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS LEO
23 MORANAN. I'M PRESIDENT AND COFOUNDER OF FILIPINO-AMERICAN
24 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. THANK YOU VERY



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1 MUCH FOR YOUR HELP, ESPECIALLY FOR BUSINESS COMMUNITY. AND
2 ALSO FOR HERO APPRECIATION DAY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **RUSSELL LEE:** AND NOW I WOULD LIKE TO BRING UP, THIS IS OUR
5 LAST SPEAKER AT THIS TIME, SURPRISE SPEAKER, AND THAT IS MR.
6 PETE SOLEIL.

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8 **PETER DU SOLEIL:** GOOD MORNING, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. THANK
9 YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. THANK YOU, MR. MIKE ANTONOVICH AND THE REST
10 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS PETER DU SOLEIL. I'M A
11 PRESIDENT OF PRINTING TECHNOLOGY INC. WHO I TEAMED UP WITH
12 HERO APPRECIATION NETWORK AS A LOGISTICAL PARTNER TO
13 COLLECTING THE EMPTY LASER AND INKJET CARTRIDGES WHICH WE
14 CURRENTLY ARE RECYCLING IN CHATSWORTH, CALIFORNIA. WE ARE NOT
15 ONLY DOING THE RIGHT THING BY KEEPING OUR CITY GREEN, WE ARE
16 ALSO PROVIDING JOBS. WE ARE PROVIDING MONEY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY.
17 AND JUST TO APPRECIATE HOW MUCH YOU DID FOR OUR CITY,
18 PERSONALLY I'D LIKE TO GIVE A GRANT \$5,000 FOR EACH
19 SUPERVISOR'S NAME IN YOUR DISTRICT FOR ONE YOUTH, OKAY? THANK
20 YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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22 **RUSSELL LEE:** THANK YOU, MR. PETE SOLEIL. THAT'S A TOTAL OF
23 \$25,000 THAT MR. SOLEIL IS GIVING TO THE HERO APPRECIATION
24 NETWORK TO GIVE SCHOLARSHIPS IN EACH DISTRICT. SO I WANT TO
25 THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH FOR THAT. AND I'D LIKE TO PRESENT RIGHT



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1 AT THIS TIME-- TODAY, LET ME SAY THIS. TODAY WE PROCLAIM THE
2 MONTH OF OCTOBER 2007 AS LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS APPRECIATION MONTH. AND I'D LIKE TO HAVE EVERYONE
4 IN THE AUDIENCE PLEASE STAND UP AND LET'S GIVE THE AWESOME
5 SUPERVISORS A FINE ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] AND THANK
6 YOU SO VERY MUCH. AND IN COMMEMORATION OF THIS DAY, IT IS OUR
7 HONOR TO PRESENT THE BOARD THIS AWARD OF APPRECIATION, THAT
8 WHICH WE HAVE HERE. IT'S EACH SUPERVISOR, ON YOUR DESK, YOU
9 WILL SEE THAT THERE IS A SPECIAL AWARD OF GRATITUDE FOR THE
10 INTEREST AND ATTENTION THAT YOU HAVE GIVEN THIS WORTHY CAUSE.
11 SO WE THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WE NEED TO MOVE FORWARD HERE. THANK YOU
14 ALL VERY MUCH.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME WRAP IT UP WITH LITTLE RAVEN. YOU CAN
17 CALL AREA CODE 562-728-4644. LITTLE RAVEN IS A COLLIE MIX.
18 LOVES HORSES. EQUESTRIANS OUT THERE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE A
19 LITTLE FRIEND. OR HE LOVES HIKING. LITTLE RAVEN COULD BE
20 YOURS. DO YOU SEE ANYBODY? LOOK AT THAT. THERE COULD COULD BE
21 A HOME IN THE AUDIENCE OR AT LEAST SOMEBODY HOME WATCHING ON
22 TELEVISION. THANK YOU.

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24 **SUP. BURKE:** JUST ONE LITTLE WHITE PAW.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. LET'S BEGIN THE MEETING.

2 APPRECIATE THE PATIENCE OF PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE. MISS BURKE,
3 YOU'RE UP FIRST.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK WE SHOULD CALL THE FOUR-VOTE ITEMS THAT
6 WERE HELD OVER FOR CONSENT.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEMS 17 AND 34.

9

10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** KNABE MOVES, BURKE SECONDS. WITHOUT
11 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** WE HAVE ONE ITEM HELD BY A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC,
14 ITEM 1-P.

15

16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. SACHS? START HIS TIME.

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18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD MORNING, COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THANK
19 YOU VERY MUCH. VERY QUICKLY I JUST WANTED TO FIND OUT, I
20 APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT YOU WANT TO REFURBISH THIS POOL IN
21 HAWTHORN AND THE OTHER PART OF THE ITEM ON THE AGENDA, BUT
22 AFTER THE REFURBISHMENT IS FINISHED AND COMPLETE, IS THERE
23 FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR THE OPERATIONS OF THESE FACILITIES? ALL
24 TOO OFTEN, AND IT'S HAPPENED PREVIOUSLY, THE COUNTY OR THE
25 CITIES WILL MOVE TO REFURBISH SOME ITEM IN THE INTEREST OF THE



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1 PUBLIC. AND WHEN THEY'RE DONE DOING-- WHEN THEY'RE DONE WITH
2 THE PROJECT, THEN IT TURNS OUT THAT THE FACILITY HAS NO
3 FUNDING TO OPEN AND BE USED. SO IT JUST SITS THERE. WILL THERE
4 IN THIS CASE BE FUNDING THERE FOR THE POOL TO OPERATE IN
5 HAWTHORN? THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL MOVE IT.

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9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS
10 VOTE.

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12 **SUP. BURKE:** I KNOW THAT WE HAVE THE 47.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** YES.

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16 **SUP. BURKE:** MAY I MOVE, WHILE YOU'RE STARTING THAT, I HAVE A
17 MOTION FOR A REWARD. ON EARLY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14TH, AMANDO
18 JOSEPH MARISCAL, JR. WAS SHOT AND KILLED WHEN ANOTHER VEHICLE
19 PULLED UP ALONGSIDE HIS AT THE CORNER OF LINCOLN BOULEVARD AND
20 MAXELLA AVENUE NEAR MARINA DEL REY. I MOVE THE BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS OFFER A REWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 FOR
22 INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF PERSONS
23 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEATH AMANDO MARISCAL, JR. WHO WAS SHOT
24 AND KILLED AT THE CORNER OF LINCOLN BOULEVARD AND MAXELLA
25 AVENUE NEAR MARINA DEL REY.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL SECOND THAT.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL CALL YOUR ITEM UP, THEN.

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8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ITEM 47. DON, DID YOU WANT TO SAY

9 SOMETHING?

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAD HELD ITEM NUMBER 6. I NEEDED JUST A BRIEF

12 QUESTION, THE C.E.O.

13

14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** GO AHEAD TAKE IT UP NOW IF IT'S BRIEF.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** THE QUESTION WAS, I SUPPORT THIS AND WOULD MOVE

17 THE MOTION, BUT I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THIS DOESN'T IMPACT

18 ALL THE WORK THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE COURTS HAVE DONE WITH THE

19 LONG BEACH COURT, IS THAT CORRECT?

20

21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ABSOLUTELY NOT. THE LONG BEACH COURT IS ON

22 SCHEDULE. WE'RE WORKING WITH THE STATE ON THAT ISSUE. WE HAVE

23 ONE CONCERN IS THE RESPONSIVENESS OF THE STATE AND TO ENSURE

24 WE HAVE SPACE FOR OUR COUNTY STAFF, INCLUDING THE D.A., P.D.



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1 AND ALTERNATE P.D. WE'RE WORKING ON THAT. THAT HAS NO IMPACT
2 ON FUNDING.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** WITH THAT, MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE THE ITEM.

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6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SECONDED BY BURKE, WITHOUT OBJECTION,
7 UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ITEM NUMBER 6. NOW WE HAVE ITEM NUMBER 47.
8 DO YOU HAVE THE OTHER CARDS?

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE
11 BOARD--

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** FIRST OF ALL, COULD WE HAVE-- (GAVEL)
14 COULD WE HAVE THE CONVERSATIONS ON THE SIDES TAKEN OUT OF THE
15 ROOM? THANK YOU, GO AHEAD, SACHI.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE
18 BOARD ON ITEM 47 PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE
19 SWORN IN. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO
20 YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND
21 NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE
22 SEATED. AND JUST FOR THE RECORD, IF I COULD READ THE SHORT
23 TITLE IN ON THIS MATTER. ITEM 47. THIS IS THE HEARING TO
24 CONSIDER THE PROPOSED SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL
25 PROGRAM AND ITS LAND USE POLICY AND ZONE CHANGE CASE WHICH



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1 REPEALS THE 1986 MALIBU LAND USE PLAN, MAKING ZONING
2 CONSISTENT WITH LAND USE POLICY MAP AND AMENDS THE COUNTY CODE
3 TITLE 21, SUBDIVISIONS ENTITLED 22, PLANNING AND ZONING
4 RELATED TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
5 COASTAL ZONE COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT.

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7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. FIRST OF ALL, WE HAVE A LOT OF
8 PEOPLE WHO HAVE COME TO BE HEARD ON THIS, AND I KNOW THAT MOST
9 OF THEM ARE HERE IN SUPPORT. AS THE MORNING WEARS ON, IF SOME
10 OF YOU WHO ARE IN SUPPORT WANT TO-- MY STAFF WILL HELP IF
11 YOU'RE INCLINED TO DO THIS, TO CONSOLIDATE AMONG A SMALLER
12 PORTION OF THE PEOPLE WHO ARE HERE TO ACTUALLY TESTIFY, IT
13 WOULD SAVE A LOT OF TIME AND GET US TO A DECISION POINT
14 SOONER. BUT IT'S YOUR CALL. OTHERWISE WE'RE GOING TO BE HERE A
15 WHILE, WELL INTO THE AFTERNOON. SO, BEN SALZMAN AND MY STAFF
16 WILL WORK WITH YOU GUYS TO SEE HOW YOU WANT TO DO THAT, IF YOU
17 WANT TO DO THAT. THERE ARE VERY FEW PEOPLE WHO ARE HERE IN
18 OPPOSITION, SO I'M NOT GOING TO MAKE THAT REQUEST OF THE
19 OPPOSITION. WE'LL HEAR FROM EVERYONE WHO'S SIGNED UP IN
20 OPPOSITION, OR THE SEVERAL WHO HAVE SIGNED UP AS AGNOSTICS. WE
21 HAVE A COUPLE OF THOSE. THE SECOND THING I WANTED TO MENTION
22 IS, I MENTIONED LAST WEEK, ANYBODY WHO TESTIFIED LAST WEEK IS
23 NOT GOING TO BE PERMITTED TO SPEAK TODAY BECAUSE THIS IS A
24 CONTINUATION OF LAST WEEK'S HEARING. AND WE WERE SCHEDULED TO
25 MAKE A DECISION LAST WEEK, BUT BECAUSE OF THE FIRES IN MALIBU



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1 AND VICINITY, WE POSTPONED A DECISION SO THAT MOST OF YOU WHO
2 WERE FIGHTING THE FIRE AND EVACUATING AND DOING ALL THE OTHER
3 THINGS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE ISSUE COULD BE HERE TODAY. SO
4 THAT'S WHAT BRINGS US HERE. NOW, LET ME CALL THE SUPPORTERS
5 FIRST. JOSEPH EDMISTON. I'M GOING TO CALL FOUR PEOPLE UP AT THE
6 SAME TIME. JOE EDMISTON, TOBY KEELER, KIM LAMORIE REPRESENTING
7 THE FEDERATION, AND ELIZABETH STEPHENS REPRESENTING THE LAS
8 VIRGENES FEDERATION. THERE ARE FOUR SEATS UP HERE.

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10 **JOSEPH EDMISTON:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS, JOSEPH EDMISTON,
11 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY
12 AND EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE MOUNTAINS RECREATION CONSERVATION
13 AUTHORITY. FIRST OF ALL, MR. CHAIRMAN, LET ME THANK YOU
14 PERSONALLY FOR YOUR INVOLVEMENT IN SHEPHERDING WHAT HAS TO BE
15 THE MOST ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE PLANNING DOCUMENT THAT I
16 BELIEVE HAS COME BEFORE THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. CERTAINLY
17 IN THE 30 YEARS THAT I HAVE HAD PLANNING RESPONSIBILITY FOR
18 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. SO THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN
19 YAROSLAVSKY.

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21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, JOE

22

23 **JOSEPH EDMISTON:** THIS PLAN REPRESENTS A COMPROMISE, BUT IT
24 REPRESENTS A COMPROMISE IN FAVOR OF THE ENVIRONMENT. ALL TOO
25 FREQUENTLY, MR. CHAIRMAN, AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,



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1 COMPROMISES TEND TO BE AGAINST THE ENVIRONMENT. THIS
2 COMPROMISE IS IN FAVOR OF THE ENVIRONMENT. WE THANK YOUR STAFF
3 FOR WORKING VERY CAREFULLY WITH ALL OF THE CONCERNED
4 INDIVIDUALS AND INTERESTS. WE THANK YOUR STAFF FOR WORKING
5 WITH US. WE HAVE CONCERNS THAT WE EXPRESSED TO YOUR STAFF AND
6 THAT WE ARE SURE THAT ARE GOING TO BE ADDRESSED TO ALLOW
7 PUBLIC PARKS TO HAVE APPROPRIATE PUBLIC ACCESS WITHOUT UNDUE
8 ADMINISTRATIVE OR BUREAUCRATIC PROBLEMS. AND I THANK YOU, MR.
9 CHAIRMAN, FOR MAKING YOUR STAFF AVAILABLE TO RESOLVE THOSE
10 ISSUES. FINALLY LET ME SAY THAT THAT THE DIFFERENCES THAT
11 PEOPLE HAVE RAISED WITH RESPECT TO SOME OF THE ISSUES SHOULD
12 NOT, AND I BELIEVE WILL NOT, BE ALLOWED TO OVERSHADOW THE
13 TREMENDOUS VICTORY THAT WE HAVE, THE CONSENSUS THAT WE HAVE
14 THAT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS ARE GOING TO BE PROTECTED FOR
15 HABITAT. WHEN YOU ARE PROTECTED FOR PUBLIC ACCESS TO PUBLIC
16 RESOURCES, AND, FINALLY, ONLY IN A TERTIARY WAY IS GOING TO BE
17 DEVELOPED FOR PRIVATE GAIN. AND THAT, MR. CHAIRMAN, IS A
18 TREMENDOUS ACCOMPLISHMENT THAT YOU, SIR, HAVE ACHIEVED FOR THE
19 PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU.

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21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, JOE. [APPLAUSE.]

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23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, JOE, APPRECIATE IT. TOBY
24 KEELER?



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1 **TOBY KEELER:** YES, GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS AND
2 STAFF. I'M TOBY KEELER, RESIDENT OF CALABASAS AND A FORMER
3 CALABASAS PLANNING COMMISSIONER. IT WILL BE EVIDENT BY THE
4 TESTIMONY GIVEN BY PEOPLE TODAY, THE FLURRY OF EMAILS AND
5 FAXES OVER THE PAST FEW WEEKS, THAT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
6 COMMUNITY IS PASSIONATE ABOUT THE DEVELOPMENT ISSUES AFFECTING
7 THE COASTAL ZONE. COMMENTS ON THE LOCAL COASTAL PLAN HAVE COME
8 IN WAVES FROM OPPONENTS AND PROPONENTS ALIKE. OFTEN IT HAS
9 BEEN DIFFICULT TO TELL THEM APART. THERE'S NO NEED FOR ME TO
10 BE REDUNDANT THIS MORNING ABOUT THE PROS AND CONS THAT WILL BE
11 BROUGHT BEFORE YOU. BUT AS A CALABASAS RESIDENT, I RECALL HOW
12 OUR LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES DRAFTED AND SUPPORTED THE NORTH AREA
13 PLAN AND ITS OVERARCHING GOAL OF BILLED TO FIT THE LAND. WHILE
14 NO PLAN IS PERFECT OR ADEQUATELY ADDRESSES EVERYONE'S
15 LEGITIMATE CONCERNS, THE FACT THAT THIS L.C.P. IS BETTER THAN
16 THE ONE WHICH IT WILL REPLACE. AND IT IS INTERNALLY CONSISTENT
17 WITH THE NORTH AREA PLAN. IF ADEQUATELY ENFORCED AND REVISED
18 WHEN NEEDED, THIS PLAN CAN ENSURE RESPONSIBLE CONTROLLED
19 GROWTH IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. AS ONE WHO LIVES IN THE
20 SHADOW OF CALABASAS PEAK AND THE TOPOGRAPHIC CREST O THE
21 MOUNTAINS, I URGE YOUR SUPPORT FOR ADOPTION THIS MORNING OF
22 THE LOCAL COASTAL PLAN. THANK YOU.

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24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, TOBY. KIM?

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1 **KIM LAMORIE:** GOOD MORNING. I'M A DELEGATE TO THE FEDERATION,
2 TO THE LOS VIRGENES HOMEOWNERS' FEDERATION AND MY NAME IS KIM
3 LAMORIE.. AS YOU KNOW THE FEDERATION HAS OVER 20 MEMBER
4 ASSOCIATIONS AND I AM HERE ON BEHALF OF JOHN LOWE OUR
5 PRESIDENT TO READ INTO THE RECORD OUR LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR
6 THE L.C.P. THE LAS VIRGENES HOMEOWNERS FEDERATION HAS LONG
7 SUPPORTED SENSITIVE PLANNING IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS.
8 WE'VE STUDIED THIS PLAN AND BELIEVE IT WILL DO A GOOD JOB OF
9 PROTECTING THE MOUNTAINS. A NUMBER OF OUR DELEGATES HAVE
10 WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE COUNTY STAFF AND STAKEHOLDERS IN THE
11 AREA TO CLOSE LOOPHOLES AND TIGHTEN UP ITS PROVISIONS. AND I
12 THINK THE PLAN TAKES A REASONABLE AND EFFECTIVE APPROACH TO
13 BALANCE A HIGH LEVEL OF RESOURCE PROTECTION WITH EXISTING AND
14 FUTURE USE BY THE RESIDENTS. JUST AS WITH THE NORTH AREA PLAN,
15 A BALANCE HAS BEEN STRUCK BETWEEN PRIVATE USE OF LAND AND THE
16 PUBLIC INTEREST. EACH CONSTITUENCY HAD TO GIVE A LITTLE TO
17 ACHIEVE A FAIR AND BALANCED APPROACH TO LAND USE THAT FAVORS
18 NO ONE GROUP OR INTEREST WHILE PROTECTING OUR COMMONLY HELD
19 RESOURCE: THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. THIS PLAN EMPLOYS A
20 WELL-DEFINED SET OF REGULATIONS TO ACHIEVE ITS GOALS,
21 RESULTING IN A DEVELOPMENT PROCESS THAT WILL BE MORE
22 CONSISTENT AND EQUITABLE. THE CONSISTENCY LIES IN THE
23 REGULATIONS WRITTEN OUT FOR ALL TO SEE. EQUITY COMES FROM THE
24 FACT THAT EVERYONE PLAYS BY THESE RULES. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT
25 CHANGE BECAUSE IT REMOVES MUCH OF THE DISCRETION ON THE PART



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1 OF THE GOVERNMENT, STAFF AND OFFICIALS IN APPLYING THE
2 REGULATIONS OF THIS PLAN TO A PROJECT. BECAUSE OF THIS, I
3 THINK THIS PLAN IS STRONGER AND MAY BE FAIRER THAN THE NORTH
4 AREA PLAN AT THE MOST BASIC LEVEL. LIKE THE NORTH AREA PLAN,
5 THESE LAND USE REGULATIONS ARE BASED ON THE TIERED APPROACH TO
6 RESOURCE PROTECTION THAT IDENTIFIES ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE
7 AREAS AND SETS UP APPROPRIATE, SCIENTIFICALLY-BASED
8 REGULATIONS TO PROTECT THE RESOURCE. DAVE BROWN'S COMPARATIVE
9 ANALYSIS OF THIS PLAN AND THE MALIBU L.C.P. PUBLISHED IN THE
10 LAST FEDERATION NEWSLETTER EXPOSED WEAKNESSES IN THE BLANKET
11 E.S.H.A. APPROACH OF THAT PLAN AND DEMONSTRATED THAT THE
12 TIERED APPROACH AND POLICIES OF THIS L.C.P. WILL DO A BETTER
13 JOB OF PROTECTING SENSITIVE HABITATS. EACH OF THESE POLICIES
14 AND REGULATIONS HAS BEEN HAMMERED OUT WITH PLANNING STAFF,
15 LEGAL STAFF, SCIENTISTS AND STAKEHOLDERS, AND BECAUSE OF THAT,
16 I BELIEVE THEY HAVE BEEN THOROUGHLY VETTED. IF THERE IS A
17 LOOPHOLE LEFT UNCLOSED, WE CAN STILL WORK ON THE PLAN EVEN
18 AFTER ADOPTION TO STRENGTHEN ITS PROTECTIONS. AFTER ALL,
19 COASTAL PLANS MUST BE REVIEWED EVERY FIVE YEARS SO THE REALITY
20 IS THAT WE ARE ENTERING INTO A LONG TERM COMMITMENT TO KEEP
21 THIS PLAN STRONG. I WANT TO REITERATE THE FEDERATION'S SUPPORT
22 FOR THIS PLAN AND STRONGLY URGE ITS ADOPTION BY THIS BOARD AND
23 ULTIMATELY BY THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION. I THINK IT
24 WILL DO AN EXCELLENT JOB OF PROTECTING THE SANTA MONICA
25 MOUNTAINS. AND I EXPECT TO BE INVOLVED IN CONTINUING TO



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1 STRENGTHEN IT AS LONG AS I LIVE HERE. JOHN LOWE, PRESIDENT OF
2 THE FEDERATION.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, KIM. CAN YOU TELL US HOW MANY
5 ORGANIZATIONS DOES THE FEDERATION COMPRISE?

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7 **KIM LAMORIE:** 21, SIR.

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9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. ELIZABETH STEPHENS? AND
10 BEFORE YOU START, ELIZABETH, LET ME CALL THE NEXT THREE. MARY
11 BENSON? HOLLY KESSLER AND STEPHANIE ABRONSON? ELIZABETH?

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13 **ELIZABETH STEPHEN:** OKAY. MY NAME IS ELIZABETH STEPHENS AND
14 EXCUSE ME FOR BEING KIND OF NERVOUS. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME
15 I'VE EVER BEEN HERE. I HAVE NEVER SPOKEN HERE BEFORE, BUT I
16 FELT COMPELLED TO COME AND SPEAK. I GREW UP IN VAN NUYS AND
17 WATCHED THE AREA BE SWALLOWED UP BY CONCRETE. I HAVE LIVED IN
18 CALABASAS FOR OVER 20 YEARS AND AM WATCHING THE IMPACT OF
19 DEVELOPMENT THERE. SO I AM SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF THIS L.C.P.
20 PLAN AND I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE HARD WORK, LONG HOURS AND
21 COMMITMENT THAT EVERYONE INVOLVED HAS GIVEN TO IMPROVE THE
22 PROTECTION OF OUR MOUNTAINS. I FEEL THIS PLAN NEEDS TO BE
23 IMPLEMENTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. I THINK THE PLAN WAS
24 CONSTRUCTED RESPONSIBLY AND MAYBE IT MAY NOT BE PERFECT OR
25 PLEASE EVERYONE, BUT IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO MOVE



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1 FORWARD, PASS IT AND THEN MAYBE REVISIT IT IN A COUPLE OF
2 YEARS TO WORK THE KINKS OUT AND FINE TUNE IT. BUT IF WE WANT
3 TO MAKE THIS PLAN PERFECT, WE WILL JEOPARDIZE A VALUABLE AND
4 PRECIOUS RESOURCE. SO AGAIN, I THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY
5 TO COME AND SPEAK AND SHARE MY VIEWPOINT.

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7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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9 **ELIZABETH STEPHENS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MARY BENSON?

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13 **MARY BENSON:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I'M MARY BENSON. I'M
14 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LOS ANGELES TRAILS PROJECT THAT IS
15 WORKING ON THE IMPLEMENTATION AND BUILDING OF THE RIM OF THE
16 VALLEY TRAIL. WE'VE WORKED IN CONCERT WITH THE NATIONAL PARK
17 SERVICE WITH WHICH WE'VE BEEN AWARDED A TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
18 GRANT. AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE PLAN AS IT IS WRITTEN AND
19 TO MAKE AN ADDITIONAL COMMENT. AND THAT IS WITH THE
20 CONSIDERATION THAT EQUESTRIAN PROPERTIES ARE THE DEFENSIBLE
21 FIRE PROTECTION AREA BY WHICH URBAN HOUSING AND-- CAN BE
22 PROTECTED AGAINST THE CHAPARRAL. I KNOW THERE ARE VARIOUS
23 STATEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE THAT HORSES HAVE NO PLACE IN
24 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. I WOULD SAY THAT HORSES AND HORSE
25 RANCHES PROVIDED THE DEFENSIBLE OPEN SPACE BY WHICH THIS GREAT



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1 COUNTY'S FIRE FIGHTING PLAN PROTECTED THE MORE URBANIZED
2 AREAS, THE STREETS AND THE HOMES OF THOSE PEOPLE LIVING IN THE
3 MALIBU MOUNTAINS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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5 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. HOLLY KESSLER?

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7 **HOLLY KESSLER:** HI.

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9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** HI.

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11 **HOLLY KESSLER:** I'M A RESIDENT OF COLD CREEK AND THE DIRECTOR
12 OF AREA 6 FOR EQUESTRIAN TRAILS. I REPRESENT 430 MEMBERS IN
13 THE AREA. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE L.C.P. AS PRESENTED BY
14 REGIONAL PLANNING. WE ARE STRONGLY IN SUPPORT OF THE
15 PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO HORSE KEEPING. THE MALIBU LAND USE
16 PLAN MUST BE REPEALED AS IT DOES NOT ALLOW FOR PROTECTION OF
17 THE HISTORIC AND CULTURAL HERITAGE OF HORSES AND THE
18 EQUESTRIAN LIFESTYLE IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. WHEN THE
19 L.C.P. GOES TO THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION FOR THE
20 CERTIFICATION PROCESS, WE URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO
21 PROTECT OUR HISTORIC AND CULTURAL HISTORY BY ENSURING THAT THE
22 SCIENTIFIC DATA USED BY THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION WILL
23 BE THE APPLICABLE SCIENCE, I'M SORRY. WILL BE THE APPLICABLE
24 SCIENCE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES OF REGULATED,
25 CONSCIENTIOUS, LOW DENSITY HORSE KEEPING AND NOT THE



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1 SCIENTIFIC DATA GARNERED FROM CONCENTRATED ANIMAL FEEDING
2 OPERATIONS OR CAFOS, AS THAT TERM IS GENERALLY UNDERSTOOD.
3 THANK YOU.

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5 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. STEPHANIE ABRONSON. HANG ON A
6 SECOND. I WANT TO CALL THE NEXT THREE. HAL HELSLEY, STEVE
7 HARRIS, AND RUTH GERSON. STEPHANIE ABRONSON.

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9 **STEPHANIE ABRONSON:** HELLO. MY NAME IS STEPHANIE ABRONSON. I'M
10 WITH EQUESTRIAN TRAILS INCORPORATED AND I LIVE IN MONTENIDO IN
11 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. THE WAY OF LIFE IN OUR MOUNTAIN
12 COMMUNITIES IS ONE NOT RELYING ON URBAN AMENITIES AS ARE OUR
13 COMMUNITIES-- EXCUSE ME. THEY ARE COMMUNITIES THAT DESERVE
14 PRESERVATION WITH THE RIGHT TO KEEP OUR HORSES. WE MUST HAVE
15 SUSTAINABLE HORSE KEEPING FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. I WANT MY
16 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN TO BE ABLE TO ENJOY LIVING IN THESE
17 MOUNTAINS AND EXPLORING THEM ON HORSEBACK. I DO FEEL THAT WE
18 CAN WORK UNDER THIS PROPOSED LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM SO LONG AS
19 HORSE KEEPING WILL ALWAYS BE PART OF THE SANTA MONICA
20 MOUNTAINS AND OTHER MOUNTAINOUS AREAS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
21 THAT MAY EVENTUALLY BE AFFECTED BY THIS CURRENT L.C.P. IN
22 PERPETUITY. CONDITIONS MUST BE LAID OUT SPECIFICALLY TO
23 GRANDFATHER ALL PROPERTIES WHERE HORSES ARE CURRENTLY KEPT.
24 AND EFFORTS SHOULD BE MADE TO ALLOW REASONABLY-SIZED LAND
25 PARCELS THAT ARE TO BE DEVELOPED IN THE FUTURE TO ALSO HAVE



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1 THE RIGHT TO KEEP HORSES. EQUESTRIAN PROPERTIES IN THE MALIBU
2 AREA ARE BEING DISMANTLED, RUINING PROPERTY VALUES. YOUR
3 ZONING REGULATIONS WILL KEEP COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES OUT OF THE
4 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. LISTENING TO SCARE TACTICS BY
5 UNEDUCATED AND UNSCRUPULOUS PEOPLE TELLING EVERYONE THAT THERE
6 COULD BE A 40-ROOM HOTEL AND 24 HORSES ON A 3-ACRE PARCEL IN
7 THE MOUNTAINS IS LUDICROUS. ANOTHER ASPECT WHICH SHOULD BE A
8 MAJOR THOUGHT IN YOUR MINDS AS YOU MAKE YOUR ADDITIONS
9 REGARDING THIS L.C.P.: MONEY. ONE THING I WANT TO MAKE
10 PERFECTLY CLEAR. IN THE 2006 CALIFORNIANS SPENT \$91 MILLION ON
11 RIDER EDUCATION AND LESSONS, \$206 MILLION ON TACK, EQUIPMENT
12 AND SUPPLIES. \$379 MILLION ON VETERINARY SERVICES.
13 \$1,278,000,000 ON BOARDING AND TRAINING. \$252 MILLION ON
14 TRAILERS AND TRANSPORTATION. \$687 MILLION ON FEED, BEDDING AND
15 GROOMING. THESE ARE ONLY-- THIS IS ONLY PART OF THE MONIES
16 SPENT BY HORSE OWNERS. THINK OF ALL THE OTHER LOCAL SERVICES
17 WE REQUIRE AND USE. THERE ARE AN ESTIMATED OVER 700,000 HORSES
18 IN CALIFORNIA. REDUCING HORSE OWNERSHIP BY DENYING US THE
19 RIGHT TO KEEP AND STABLE HORSES EVEN ON OUR OWN PROPERTY OR
20 EVEN BOARDING ONE OR TWO HORSES WILL REDUCE THE TAX BASE FOR
21 THIS COUNTY. THANK YOU.

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23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, STEPHANIE. THANKS FOR ALL THE
24 WORK YOU'VE PUT INTO THIS. OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS. AND



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1 ON THIS PLAN IN PARTICULAR. I APPRECIATE IT. AND MY STAFF
2 DOES, TOO. RUTH GERSON.

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4 **RUTH GERSON:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS RUTH
5 GERSON. I'M REPRESENTING RECREATION AND EQUESTRIAN COALITION.
6 WHILE I'M BASICALLY IN FAVOR OF THE PLAN, NEVERTHELESS, THERE
7 IS A MAJOR ISSUE THAT I HOPE YOU WILL RE-EVALUATE BEFORE YOU
8 VOTE. HORSES SHOULD BE INCLUDED UNDER THE CATEGORY AND
9 DESIGNATION OF AGRICULTURE. THEY SHOULD NOT BE SEPARATED OUT.
10 UNDER THE COASTAL ACT, HORSES ARE PROTECTED. IF YOU TAKE THEM
11 OUT-- AS PART OF AGRICULTURE. IF YOU TAKE THEM OUT AS
12 AGRICULTURE, THEY WILL LOSE THAT PROTECTION IN THAT AREA. SO I
13 HOPE YOU WILL CONSIDER THAT WHEN YOU VOTE. I DON'T UNDERSTAND
14 WHY THE DISTANCE OF 50 FEET FOR CROPS FROM SENSITIVE AREAS IS
15 LESS THAN THE 100 FEET, WHICH IS GREATER FOR HORSES, WITHOUT A
16 SCIENTIFIC BASIS. THE DISPARITY IS NOT SHOWN BY ANY SURVEYS.
17 ALSO THE PROVISIONS THAT OLDER EXISTING FACILITIES SHOULD NOT
18 BE GRANDFATHERED IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE WAY THE COUNTY IS
19 GOING TO OPERATE BECAUSE THE COUNTY DOES NOT HAVE STAFF OR
20 BUDGET TO SUPERVISE THE OLDER FACILITIES AND THE NEW ONES. AND
21 I THINK THEY SHOULD BE GRANDFATHERED IN. IN ADDITION, ON
22 BOARDING, WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE WHO OWNS THE HORSES?
23 WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE IN THE NAMES? AS LONG AS THE
24 LEGAL LIMIT IS THERE. I HOPE YOU WILL CONSIDER THESE. AND
25 THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO YOU.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, RUTH.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN AND THANK YOU FOR
5 RIDING WITH US.

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7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK WE WILL ADDRESS AT LEAST A
8 COUPLE OF THOSE ISSUES, RUTH. AND THEN LATER ON IF YOU WANT TO
9 ANSWER THE OTHER QUESTION ON THE 50 FEET, WE'LL WAIT UNTIL ALL
10 THE PUBLIC TESTIMONY IS COMPLETE AND WE'LL HAVE THE STAFF
11 RESPOND. STEVE HARRIS, BEFORE YOU START, STEVE, LET ME CALL
12 ROGER PUGLIESE DON WALLACE AND SHERRY DASILVA. STEVE?

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14 **STEVE HARRIS:** MY NAME IS STEVE HARRIS. I'M THE EXECUTIVE
15 DIRECTOR OF THE MOUNTAINS RESTORATION TRUST. IN ADDITION, I
16 WAS A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE LAND USE
17 PLAN. THE MOUNTAINS RESTORATION TRUST HAS BEEN AROUND FOR A
18 LITTLE OVER 25 YEARS, AND OUTSIDE THE GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES,
19 WE ARE THE LARGEST PRIVATE LAND HOLDER IN THE SANTA MONICA
20 MOUNTAINS. I MYSELF HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE SANTA MONICA
21 MOUNTAINS FOR OVER 30 YEARS, NOT ONLY AS A BOARD MEMBER OF THE
22 MOUNTAINS RESTORATION TRUST, PREVIOUSLY A RESIDENT AND ALSO AS
23 A REAL ESTATE DEVELOPER. WHAT I HAVE FOUND, AND FIRST OF ALL
24 WOULD LIKE TO COMPLIMENT THE BOARD AND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
25 FOR TAKING THIS FINALLY. IT'S BEEN 20 YEARS SINCE THE L.U.P.



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1 WAS FIRST ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND I THINK
2 IT'S WONDERFUL THAT IT'S MOVING FORWARD AND GOING IN FRONT OF
3 THE COASTAL COMMISSION. AND GIVE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE
4 COUNTY TO TAKE OVER THE COASTAL PERMITS. WITH THAT, I'D ALSO
5 LIKE TO COMPLIMENT STAFF FOR LISTENING TO ALL THE COMMENTS
6 THAT THE PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE HAD PUT FORTH. WE HAVE
7 FOUND THAT THE PLAN TO BE FAIR, TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION ALL
8 THE DIFFERENT INTEREST GROUPS, ALL THE DIFFERENT PROBLEMS, AND
9 HAS TRIED TO CREATE A COMPROMISE THAT IS SOMETHING THAT NOT
10 ONLY DEFENDS OR WORKS WITH PROPERTY RIGHTS BUT ALSO ALLOWS FOR
11 THE ENJOYMENT OF THOSE PEOPLE WHO RECREATE IN THE SANTA MONICA
12 MOUNTAINS. WITH THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK FOR THE BOARD TO
13 ADOPT THE L.U.P. THANK YOU.

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15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, STEVE. ROGER PUGLIESE.

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17 **ROGER PUGLIESE:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS AND THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN
18 YAROSLAVSKY FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY. HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, THE
19 TOPANGA ASSOCIATION FOR SCENIC COMMUNITY HAS BEEN IN THE
20 FOREFRONT OF EVERY ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUE IN TOPANGA SINCE 1963.
21 WE HAVE STUDIED THE DRAFT L.C.P. CLOSELY, AND THANK GINA
22 NATOLI, HER STAFF, BEN SALZMAN, PLANNING DEPUTY AND MOST
23 DEFINITELY GINNY KRUEGER, ASSISTANT CHIEF DEPUTY FOR THEIR
24 FINE WORK AND EXTRAORDINARY DEDICATION. OUR COMMUNITY HAS BEEN
25 WAITING FOR THIS DOCUMENT EVER SINCE THE 1986 MALIBU LAND USE



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1 PLAN. AS A BLUEPRINT FOR THE FUTURE, THIS DOCUMENT NEEDS TO BE
2 AS STRONG AS POSSIBLE IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE FRAGILE
3 ENVIRONMENT OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. THE FOREMOST
4 CONCERN OF OUR ORGANIZATION HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE PRESERVATION
5 OF OPEN SPACE AND HABITAT IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. THE
6 COUNTY'S PROPOSED L.C.P., WITH ITS DESIGNATION OF SIGNIFICANT
7 RIDGELINES AND RESTRICTION OF ACCESS ROADS TO 300 FEET FROM
8 EXISTING ROADS, PROVIDE SOME OF THOSE IMPORTANT PROTECTIONS.
9 BUT IT DESIGNATES AS E.S.H.A. ONLY RIPARIAN HABITAT, WHEN 94
10 PERCENT OF THE MOUNTAINS IS COASTAL SAGE BRUSH AND CHAPARRAL.
11 THIS DESIGNATION NEEDS TO TO BE GREATLY EXPANDED TO INCLUDE
12 MORE OF OUR PRECIOUS RESOURCES. WILDLIFE IS AN INTRICATE AND
13 VITAL PART OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. T.A.S.C. BELIEVES
14 THAT THE COUNTY'S L.C.P. CAN AND SHOULD PRESERVE AT LEAST 50
15 PERCENT OF THE MOUNTAINS' REMAINING OPEN SPACE, NOT 6 PERCENT.
16 ONE WAY OF ACHIEVING THIS IS FOR THE COUNTY TO OVERSEE AND
17 ENFORCE THE SITTING OF EACH HOME ON EACH PARCEL TO MINIMIZE
18 THE DESTRUCTION OF THE HABITAT. ONLY THEN CAN HABITAT BE
19 PRESERVED WHILE RESPECTING INDIVIDUAL LAND OWNERS' RIGHTS.
20 FUNDAMENTALLY, ANY PUBLIC POLICY DOCUMENT IS ONLY AS GOOD AS
21 ITS ENFORCEMENT. T.A.S.C. HAS BEEN CONCERNED ABOUT THE
22 COUNTY'S LAX ENFORCEMENT OF THE NORTH AREA PLAN FOR SOME TIME.
23 WE ARE DISTURBED BY LOOPHOLES IN THE PROPOSED L.C.P. IN THE
24 CASE OF THE RIDGELINE ORDINANCE, FOR EXAMPLE, A DEVELOPER,
25 AFTER SHOWING THAT HE COULD NOT-- THAT THEY COULD NOT DEVELOP



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1 ANYWHERE ELSE OFF THE RIDGELINE, OR THAT IT WOULD BE TOO
2 ENVIRONMENTALLY DAMAGING, CAN ASK FOR A VARIANCE. THEY HAVE
3 THAT RIGHT. BUT WE THINK THAT THE REVIEW SHOULD BE DONE BY A
4 LARGER BODY, THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. AND THE PUBLIC
5 HAS A RIGHT TO COMMENT. WE AGREE WITH THE SANTA MONICA
6 BAYKEEPERS THAT IN SECTION 2260-400, CEASE AND DESIST ORDERS,
7 THAT THERE IS NOT ADEQUATE AUTHORITY TO ENFORCE THE L.C.P. AND
8 THAT THE CIVIL PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF TITLE 22 ARE TOO
9 LOW. DEVELOPERS MAY VIEW THESE EXISTING PENALTIES AS THE PRICE
10 OF DOING BUSINESS RATHER THAN DETERRENT. WHILE BEN SALZMAN HAS
11 INDICATED THAT THERE BE A FIVE-YEAR REVIEW OF THE L.C.P. ONCE
12 ADOPTED, WE BELIEVE IT SHOULD SHORTENED TO THREE YEARS OR
13 LESS. THIS WOULD ENABLE NECESSARY AMENDMENTS FOR ISSUES
14 CURRENTLY UNFORESEEN. T.A.S.C. APPLAUDS THE COUNTY AND THE
15 STAFF FOR THE PROTECTIVE MEASURES THAT HAVE BEEN ENSHRINED IN
16 THIS PROPOSED L.C.P. WE URGE IT TO EXPAND ITS DEFINITION OF
17 E.S.H.A. AND TOUGHEN ITS ENFORCEMENT MEASURES BEFORE ADOPTION.
18 THEN WE WOULD BE-- AND AS WE ARE IN FAVOR OF THE PROPOSED
19 DOCUMENT.

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21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. APPRECIATE THAT. DON WALLACE?

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23 **DON WALLACE:** HONORABLE CHAIRMAN AND HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY
24 NAME IS DON WALLACE. I RESIDE IN COLD CREEK. I AM A LONG TIME
25 ACTIVIST IN THE COLD CREEK COMMUNITY COUNCIL. E.T.I. CORRAL 36



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1 AND THE LOS VIRGENES HOMEOWNERS' FEDERATION. ALL THREE OF
2 THOSE ORGANIZATIONS HAVE FILED LETTERS OF SUPPORT FOR THE
3 DOCUMENT BEFORE YOU. I'D LIKE TO THANK STAFF FOR THEIR
4 PHENOMENAL WORK ON THIS DOCUMENT. THEY HAVE BEEN RESPONSIVE,
5 ACCESSIBLE AND WONDERFULLY UNDERSTANDING OF THE COMMUNITY.
6 WHEN YOU GET TO THE OPPOSITION PART OF THIS TESTIMONY, YOU
7 WILL HEAR MANY OUTRAGEOUS AND ALARMIST STATEMENTS CONCERNING
8 HORSE KEEPING PROVISIONS IN THE PROPOSED L.C.P. DON'T BELIEVE
9 THEM. COUNTY STAFF CAREFULLY DRAFTED THE HORSE KEEPING
10 PROVISIONS TO PROTECT WATER QUALITY WHILE ALLOWING THE
11 HISTORIC AND CULTURAL RESOURCES REPRESENTED BY HORSES IN THE
12 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. THE TIERED CONSERVATION PROVISION IN
13 THE COUNTY PLAN ARE FAR MORE PROTECTIVE OF NATURAL RESOURCES
14 THAN THE SUPPOSEDLY MORE PROTECTIVE MALIBU PLAN. A SIMPLE
15 EXAMPLE WILL SUFFICE TO ILLUSTRATE THIS IMPORTANT POINT. THE
16 MALIBU PLAN ALLOWS DEVELOPMENT IN E.S.H.A. YES, THEY CALL
17 EVERYTHING E.S.H.U. E.S.H.A., BUT THEY ALLOW DEVELOPMENT IN
18 E.S.H.A. WHILE THE COUNTY'S PROPOSED PLAN HAS A MORE LIMITED
19 VIEW OF WHAT E.S.H.A. IS, BUT A FAR MORE PROTECTIVE-- THEY DO
20 NOT ALLOW ANY DEVELOPMENT IN E.S.H.A., WHICH IS WHAT THE STATE
21 LAW OR COASTAL ACT SAYS SHOULD BE. AND I WOULD LIKE TO TELL
22 YOU HOW GRATEFUL I AM FOR YOUR STAFF AND THIS PROCESS TO
23 ALLOWING US FINALLY TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY, WE HORSE OWNERS,
24 WILL FINALLY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY NOT TO BE THREATENED IF THIS
25 DOCUMENT IS ADOPTED. WE URGE ITS ADOPTION AND THANK YOU.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, DON. THANK YOU, ALSO, FOR ALL
3 YOUR HELP IN THE PROCESS. YOU'VE BEEN REALLY AN ASSET TO THIS
4 WHOLE PROCESS FOR THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS. SHERRY DASILVA,
5 YOU'RE SHERRY? LET ME CALL UP THREE OTHERS. DEBORAH ROTH?
6 SANORA SANDE? AND TRISH COSTA? YOU'VE GOT TO WORK ON YOUR A'S.
7 SHERRY, YOU'RE ON.

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9 **SHERRY DASILVA:** ACTUALLY MY NAME IS SHERRY DASILVA, AND IN AN
10 EFFORT TO EXPEDITE THINGS HERE, I DON'T HAVE A PREPARED
11 SPEECH. I WILL LEAVE MY TIME TO OTHER PEOPLE. I WANT TO VOICE
12 MY OPINION IN SUPPORT OF THE NEW L.C.P.

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14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. DEBORAH?

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16 **DEBORAH ROTH:** HI. DEBORAH ROTH. I JUST MOVED TO MONTENIDO AND
17 ONE OF THE REASONS I MOVED THERE IS BECAUSE IT IS SUCH A GREAT
18 HORSE COMMUNITY. AND IT SADDENED ME THAT THIS IS GOING ON. SO
19 I'M JUST HERE TO SUPPORT THE L.C.P.

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21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SANORA, IS IT SANDY
22 OR SAND?

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24 **SANDRA SAMORA:** ACTUALLY SANDRA, SANDE. BUT MY WRITING SUCH.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I'LL

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3 **TELL YOU, YOU GOT TO WORK ON PENMANSHIP HERE. SANDRA, I'M**
4 **SORRY. GO AHEAD.**

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6 **>>SANDE SANORA:** BUT I'M ALSO HERE TO SUPPORT THE PLAN.

7

8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. TRISH COSTA.

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10 **TRISH COSTA:** HI, I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE PLAN. I RAISED MY
11 FAMILY. WE HAD HORSES IN OUR BACKYARD. AND I LOVE THE
12 MOUNTAINS. AND WE'RE ALWAYS CAREFUL. I'M IN SUPPORT.

13

14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. NICHOL COSTA? IS NICHOL HERE?
15 OKAY. AND RUSS COSTA? AND ROCHELLE ABRAHAM DICK? AND JEANNE
16 WALLACE? HI.

17

18 **NICHOL COSTA:** HI. I'M NICHOL COSTA. MY DAD ACTUALLY IS RUSS
19 COSTA, BUT HE GAVE HIS TIME TO ME. I DON'T HAVE MUCH TO SAY. I
20 JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF THE COUNTY
21 L.C.P. AND HORSES IN MONTENIDO. I GREW UP IN MONTENIDO, YOU
22 JUST HEARD FROM MY MOM, RIDING HORSES. I'M PRETTY SURE SHE
23 RODE WHEN SHE WAS PREGNANT, SO I'VE BEEN RIDING FOREVER. I
24 THINK I HAVE A SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE ON THIS ISSUE
25 THAN OTHERS HERE BECAUSE OF MY AGE AND BECAUSE I'M YOUNGER. I



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1 DON'T KNOW WHERE I WOULD BE WITHOUT HORSES TODAY. I LEARNED A
2 RESPECT FOR THE COMMUNITY, RESPECT FOR THE TRAILS THAT I
3 WOULDN'T HAVE LEARNED ANOTHER WAY. AND I GREW UP, LIKE I SAID,
4 I GREW UP ON HORSEBACK. LET'S SEE WHAT ELSE I HAVE HERE. I
5 THINK THAT I AM PROOF THAT THIS ISSUE AFFECTS MORE THAN JUST
6 ONE GENERATION. IT AFFECTS MOMS AND DADS AND DAUGHTERS. I HOPE
7 TO LIVE IN MONTENIDO FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE AND RAISE MY KIDS
8 THERE ON HORSES BECAUSE WE DESERVE TO HAVE HORSES ON OUR
9 PROPERTY. AND THIS L.C.P. REALLY ALLOWS THE COMMUNITY TO BE
10 PROTECTED WHILE ALLOWING US TO HAVE HORSES ON OUR PROPERTY.
11 THAT'S IT.

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13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, NICHOL. RUSS COSTA?
14 OKAY. YOU GAVE HER YOUR TIME. ROCHELLE DICK?

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16 **ROCHELLE DICK:** HI, MY NAME IS ROCHELLE DICK AND I'M AN
17 EQUESTRIAN WHO OFTEN RIDES IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAIN AREA.
18 AND I AM HERE TODAY TO REPRESENT MY PERSONAL OPINION IN
19 SUPPORT OF THE L.C.P. I ALSO WANT TO DITTO WHAT RUTH GERSON,
20 STEPHANIE ABRONSON, HOLLY KESSLER AND DON WALLACE SAID ABOUT
21 THE GRANDFATHER CLAUSING, EXISTING HORSE PROPERTIES AND ABOUT
22 PROPER BOARDING. I DON'T HAVE HORSE PROPERTY, SO WHERE WOULD I
23 BE ABLE TO KEEP A HORSE IF THERE AREN'T ANY PLACES TO KEEP
24 THEM THERE? AND I WANT TO RIDE THERE. ABOUT PROTECTING THE
25 HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL ASPECTS AND THE LEGACY, BECAUSE I WANT



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1 TO PASS THIS DOWN TO MY GRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT GRANDCHILDREN.
2 I'M A MEMBER OF THE E.T.I. CORRAL 36. AND I'M CERTIFYING FOR
3 THE MOUNTED VOLUNTEER PATROL. I'VE RIDDEN IN THE AREA SINCE I
4 WAS A CHILD. I SUPPORT IT.

5

6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. BEFORE JEANNE TAKES THE MIC.,
7 LET ME CALL PETER PULITZER, SUZIE KNIPE AND KELLY HINE. JEANNE
8 WALLACE.

9

10 **JEANNE WALLACE:** MY NAME IS JEANNE WALLACE AND I LIVE IN COLD
11 CANYON. I'M A MEMBER OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS TRAILS
12 COUNCIL AND 30-YEAR MEMBER OF E.T.I, THE EQUESTRIAN TRAILS
13 INCORPORATED. AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE L.C.P. PLAN. AND I
14 ALSO WANTED, WHILE I HAD A MINUTE, TO THANK MIKE ANTONOVICH
15 WHO WAS OUR COUNTY SUPERVISOR AT ONE TIME. AND WE DID NOT FEEL
16 HE UNDERSTOOD THE PROBLEMS OF THE HORSE PEOPLE AT THE TIME.
17 BUT I HAVE FOLLOWED HIS EQUESTRIAN CAREER SINCE THAT TIME, AND
18 HE IS WRITTEN UP IN OUR E.T.I. NATIONAL MAGAZINE ALL THE TIME
19 FOR THE SUPPORT HE HAS GIVEN TO THE EQUESTRIANS IN HIS
20 DISTRICT. AND I JUST WANT YOU THE KNOW, MIKE, THAT THAT
21 SUPPORT YOU HAVE GIVEN THEM HAS HELPED ALL OF US. WE REALLY
22 APPRECIATE AND THANK YOU FOR THAT.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, JEANNE. PETER PULITZER? NO
25 RELATION, I ASSUME?



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2 **SPEAKER:** HE IS.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** HE IS A RELATION.

5

6 **PETER PULITZER:** HI, MY NAME IS PETER PULITZER. I'VE LIVED IN
7 THE MOUNTAINS FOR 20 YEARS. I WANT TO THANK THIS BOARD FOR
8 DOING AN IMPOSSIBLE JOB OF CREATING THIS LAND USE PLAN. IT IS
9 A WAY OF LIFE THAT'S VERY FEW PLACES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
10 YOU'RE ABLE TO LIVE THIS LIFESTYLE THAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO
11 LIVE. AND I THINK THIS LAND USE PLAN IS GOING TO BE ABLE TO
12 LET OTHER PEOPLE ENJOY THE LIFE THAT I'VE LIVED IN THESE
13 MOUNTAINS. SO I WISH YOU ALL THE LUCK IN TRYING TO PASS OFF
14 THIS PLAN FROM THE COASTAL AND HAVE THEM SIGN OFF ON IT. I
15 THINK YOU'VE DONE AN AMAZING JOB.

16

17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUZIE?

18

19 **SUZIE KNIPE:** HI, I'M SUZE RANDALL KNIPE. I ALSO WANT TO THANK
20 YOU. I LIVE ON A RANCH ABOVE MONTENIDO. I AM BLESSED. IT'S A
21 RANCH THAT'S BEEN THERE SINCE 1928. AND I FEEL HOPEFUL NOW
22 THAT I'LL BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN IT IN ITS HISTORIC CONTEXT WITH
23 ANIMALS, HORSES. IT USED TO HAVE CATTLE. I'M SO GLAD I CAN
24 PRESERVE IT. I HAD THE FEELING I MIGHT LOSE IT. I THANK YOU.

25



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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. BEFORE KELLY GOES, JOAN KAY,
2 DEBBIE DIMASCIO, AND LYNN BROWN KELLY HINE.

3

4 **KELLY HINE:** I'M NOT GOING TO WASTE ANYBODY'S TIME. I'M TOTAL
5 SUPPORT. RESIDENT OF MONTENIDO.

6

7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** GREAT SPEECH, THANKS. JOAN KAY?

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9 **JOAN KAY:** YES, MY NAME IS JOAN KAY. I'M A LONG TIME RESIDENT
10 OF MONTENIDO. THAT'S ONE OF YOUR DESIGNATED TO BE RURAL
11 VILLAGES. I'VE BEEN THERE ALMOST 46 YEARS, AND ALMOST ALL OF
12 THAT A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION. AND I'M HERE JUST
13 PLEASED TO REPORT TO YOU THAT OUR BOARD, OUR ASSOCIATION
14 BOARD, IS UNANIMOUS IN FAVORING THIS PLAN. WE HOPE IT GOES
15 THROUGH. WE DON'T THINK IT'S PERFECT, BUT WE THINK WITH SOME
16 TWEAKING IT WILL BE. AND ONE DAY WE'LL BE ABLE TO LOOK BACK ON
17 IT AND BE VERY PROUD THAT WE ALL CAME TOGETHER WITH THIS AND
18 MADE IT HAPPEN. AND I DO THANK YOU, ALL OF YOU, THE BOARD, FOR
19 HEARING ME.

20

21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, JOAN. DEBBIE? DEBBIE
22 DIMASCIO? YOU'RE NOT DEBBIE. YOU'RE LYNN BROWN.

23

24 **LYNN BROWN:** I'M LYNN BROWN, HONORABLE CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY AND
25 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO



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1 SPEAK. I'M LYNN BROWN. I AM THE NATIONAL TRAIL COORDINATOR FOR
2 EQUESTRIAN TRAILS INCORPORATED

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO THE MIC., SO WE CAN
5 HEAR YOU.

6

7 **LYNN BROWN:** OKAY. I APPLAUD YOU, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, AND
8 THE BOARD, FOR SUPPORTING THIS CRITICAL ITEM. IT'S URGENT THAT
9 THIS ACTION MOVE FORWARD. IT'S ALSO-- E.T.I. IS URGENTLY
10 SUPPORTING THE IDEA OF HORSES AS AGRICULTURE DESIGNATION. THIS
11 IS AN IMPORTANT ACTION THAT WILL HAVE RAMIFICATIONS NOT ONLY
12 LOCALLY BUT STATEWIDE. HELP US PRESERVE THIS WAY OF LIFE IN
13 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. WE SUPPORT THIS ACTION COMPLETELY. WE
14 MUST KEEP SUSTAINABLE HORSE KEEPING FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.
15 THIS IS TO INCLUDE THE ABILITY OF OWNERS TO KEEP HORSES ON
16 THEIR PROPERTY, INCLUDING BOARDING OF HORSES FOR OTHER HORSE
17 OWNERS. THIS HISTORIC EQUESTRIAN LIFESTYLE PROVIDES AN
18 IRREPLACEABLE ASPECT TO BOTH URBAN AND RURAL AREAS. HORSES,
19 THE AGRICULTURAL WISDOM THAT IT FOSTERS, IS LIKE OPEN SPACE.
20 ONCE IT'S GONE, IT'S GONE. AND IT'S A GREAT LOSS FOR US ALL.
21 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

22

23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, LYNN. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT CONCLUDES THE TESTIMONY OF THOSE IN
2 SUPPORT. I APPRECIATE EVERYBODY BEING SUCCINCT AND
3 COOPERATING. IT'S BEEN HELPFUL. NOW LET ME CALL ON THOSE WHO
4 ARE IN OPPOSITION. I'LL CALL ON FOUR PEOPLE AGAIN. TATIANA
5 GAUR? MARY ELLEN STROTE? IF I MISPRONOUNCE THE NAME, I
6 APOLOGIZE. VALERIE BURKHOLDER AND NOLAN BURKHOLDER. MISS GAUR?

7

8 **TATIANA GAUR:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND CHAIRMAN.
9 I'M TATIANA GAUR. I'M STAFF ATTORNEY FOR SANTA MONICA
10 BAYKEEPER. WE HAVE SUBMITTED, AS YOU KNOW, A VERY DETAILED
11 LETTER SO I'M NOT GOING TO BORE YOU WITH THE DETAILS OF IT
12 BECAUSE I CAN'T EVEN FIT IN TWO MINUTES. WE OPPOSE THE L.C.P.
13 AND L.I.P. AS PROPOSED. WE DON'T OPPOSE THE IDEA OF HAVING AN
14 L.C.P. OR AN L.I.P. AND IT REPLACING THE MALIBU L.C.P. AS--
15 LAND USE PLAN. NOT L.C.P., I'M SORRY. AND WOULD LIKE TO THANK
16 THE STAFF FOR ITS WORK. WE RECOGNIZE IT'S A HUGE
17 ACCOMPLISHMENT. IT'S A HUGE TASK. WE ALSO RECOGNIZE THAT THE
18 L.C.P. AND THE L.I.P. ARE NOT JUST PLANNING AND LAND USE
19 DOCUMENTS. THEY ARE DOCUMENTS THAT HAVE HUGE ENVIRONMENTAL
20 IMPACT. AND IN VIEW OF THE MISSION OF OUR ORGANIZATION, WHICH
21 IS TO PROTECT WATER QUALITY, WOULD LIKE TO STRESS UPON YOU
22 THAT THE L.C.P. AND THE L.I.P. SHOULD BE PART OF AN INTEGRATED
23 APPROACH TO WATER QUALITY PROBLEMS IN THE SANTA MONICA
24 MOUNTAINS AREA. THERE'S NUMEROUS T.M.D.L.S, BIDS AND PLAN
25 WATER QUALITY OBJECTIVES AND SO ON AND SO FORTH, AND THEY HAVE



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1 TO BE MET. SO YOU HAVE TO DRAFT THE L.C.P. AND L.I.P. WITH THE
2 VIEW OF THOSE FUTURE AND CURRENT OBLIGATIONS THAT YOU HAVE. IN
3 SHORT, WE'RE NOT OPPOSED TO ANY EQUESTRIAN USE OF THE SANTA
4 MONICA MOUNTAINS. WE JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT ANY SUCH USE
5 COMPLIES WITH WATER QUALITY OBJECTIVES. AND THAT IS WHY IN OUR
6 LETTER, WE URGE YOU TO INCLUDE LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT
7 STANDARDS AND PRINCIPLES AND ALSO BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES.
8 SO THERE'S A LOT TO SAY, BUT WE WANT TO HAVE BETTER PROTECTION
9 OF STREAMS, LIMITED GRADING, INCLUDING B.M.P.S. THERE SHOULD
10 BE SOME POLICY ON AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES, BECAUSE, AS WE
11 KNOW, WE HAVE THE NEW ZEALAND MUD SNAIL. WE NEED TO HAVE ALSO
12 MORE OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, ESPECIALLY WHEN WE
13 REMOVE DESIGNATION OF E.S.H.A. AND I THINK WE ALSO MENTIONED
14 THAT WE DON'T LIKE THE TIERED APPROACH TO E.S.H.A. SO, IN
15 SHORT, WE WILL SUPPORT THE PLAN ONCE IT IS IMPROVED AND
16 REVISED. AND WE ARE WILLING AND ABLE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH ANY
17 HELP. THANK YOU.

18

19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. I DON'T BELIEVE TECHNICALLY THAT
20 IS CORRECT THAT WE ARE REDUCING E.S.H.A. RIGHT NOW, WHAT IS
21 THE DESIGNATION?

22

23 **GINA NATOLI:** YOU MEAN THE ACREAGE, SUPERVISOR?

24

25 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YES, IN THE COASTAL ZONE OF L.A. COUNTY.



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2 **GINA NATOLI:** ACTUALLY WITH THE PROPOSED L.C.P.--

3

4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** NOT PROPOSED, CURRENTLY, RIGHT NOW
5 TODAY.

6

7 **GINA NATOLI:** 6.8% OF THE AREA WOULD BE DESIGNATED E.S.H.A.

8

9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MY QUESTION IS CURRENTLY. ASSUMING THIS
10 PLAN NEVER EXISTED, THE DRAFT PLAN. WHAT IS THE E.S.H.A.? IS
11 THERE E.S.H.A. IN OUR PORTION OF THE COASTAL ZONE?

12

13 **GINA NATOLI:** YES.

14

15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THAT WHAT YOU WERE REFERRING TO AS
16 6.8%.

17

18 **GINA NATOLI:** YES, SUPERVISOR.

19

20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** AND UNDER THIS PLAN?

21

22 **GINA NATOLI:** UNDER THIS PLAN, THERE WILL BE E.S.H.A. OF 6.5%
23 OF THE AREA.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SO 3/10 OF 1 PERCENT IS THE REDUCTION
2 YOU'RE REFERRING TO?

3

4 **TATIANA GAUR:** I THINK YOU MISUNDERSTOOD. THE TIERED APPROACH
5 TO THE SPECIAL AREAS.

6

7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I THOUGHT YOU SAID THAT YOU OPPOSED THE
8 REDUCTION OF E.S.H.A. I DIDN'T THINK THERE WAS A REDUCTION OF
9 E.S.H.A. AND 3/10 OF 1% IS KIND OF A TIE.

10

11 **TATIANA GAUR:** THAT'S DEFINITELY NOT WHAT I SAID.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I APOLOGIZE FOR MISUNDERSTANDING. THANK
14 YOU, MISS GAUR, I APPRECIATE IT. MARY ELLEN STROTE?

15

16 **MARY ELLEN STROTE:** STROTE, YES. I HAVE WORKED TO PRESERVE THE
17 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS SINCE 1969. I CARRIED ON THE PETITIONS
18 THAT LED TO THE COASTAL ACT. I WORKED WITH SUE NELSON AND THE
19 FRIENDS FROM SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS PARKS AND SEASHORE TO
20 CREATE THE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA. MY CONCERN TODAY IS WATER
21 QUALITY AND NATIVE PLANTS, ENFORCEMENT. AND IN SERVICE OF
22 THAT, I'D LIKE TO ADDRESS MR. EDMISTON'S SUPPORT OF THE L.C.P.
23 THERE WAS SOME DELETIONS TO THE LETTER FROM THE CONSERVANCY'S
24 ATTORNEY THAT WERE MADE THE DAY BEFORE THE PRIOR HEARING AND
25 I'D LIKE TO SUBMIT FOR THE RECORD THOSE DELETIONS AND READ A



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1 VERY BRIEF EXCERPT THAT'S INDICATIVE OF WHAT WAS DELETED. THIS
2 L.C.P. "WOULD MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE COUNTY TO IMPOSE
3 CONDITIONS SUCH AS LIMITING THE ACREAGE OF CROPS. FOR EXAMPLE,
4 100-FOOT BY 100-FOOT HOUSE WITH A 50-FOOT YARD AREA COULD
5 RESULT IN FOUR ACRES OF VINEYARDS IN ITS 200-FOOT WIDE FUEL
6 MODIFICATION ZONE. IS THIS WHAT THE L.C.P. INTENDED? " END
7 QUOTE. A GREAT DEAL ELSE WAS DELETED ON THE DAY BEFORE YOUR
8 HEARING LAST WEEK, ESPECIALLY, IN REGARD TO THE ESTABLISHMENT
9 OF ACREAGE THRESHOLDS FOR HORSE KEEPING. AND I WOULD LIKE TO
10 SUBMIT THIS FOR THE RECORD SO YOU COULD SEE WHAT THE
11 CONSERVANCY ORIGINALLY SAID. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. VALERIE BURKHOLDER.

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15 **VALERIE BURKHOLDER:** MY NAME IS VALERIE BURKHOLDER. I LIVE IN
16 CALABASAS. OPPOSE THE L.C.P. AS IT IS NOW BECAUSE I'M AFRAID
17 THAT IT WILL CAUSE COMMERCIALIZATION OF THE SANTA MONICA
18 MOUNTAINS IN SEVERAL WAYS. FIRST, THERE IS A PROVISION THAT
19 THERE WILL BE RESTAURANTS ALLOWED IN THE SANTA MONICA
20 MOUNTAINS AND RURAL INNS WOULD BE ALLOWED, SO IF YOU HAVE A--
21 WHETHER IT WOULD BE ONE HOUSE PER 40 ACRES. SO THIS WILL ALLOW
22 RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, WHICH
23 WILL CAUSE MORE TRAFFIC FROM ALL OF THE GUESTS, WORKERS AND
24 DELIVERY TRUCKS COMING IN AND OUT OF THE HOTEL. AND IT WILL
25 BRING IN PEOPLE FROM OUT OF TOWN. AND THAT MAY BE YOUR AIM TO



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1 BRING IN MORE PEOPLE TO THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, BUT THERE
2 ARE 10 MILLION PEOPLE IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA AND THEY ALL USE
3 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND THEY COME FOR DAY USE OR
4 CAMPING. WE DON'T NEED TO BRING IN MORE PEOPLE TO STAY
5 OVERNIGHT IN HOTELS AS THIS WILL CAUSE MORE TRAFFIC AND
6 POLLUTION OF OUR PRECIOUS MOUNTAINS. AND THEN THERE'S THE
7 BACKYARD BOARDING ISSUE. EIGHT HORSES WOULD BE ALLOWED PER
8 ACRE, BUT THEY DON'T HAVE TO BE YOUR HORSES. SO YOU CAN BOARD
9 HORSES IN YOUR BACKYARD AND RUN A BUSINESS. IT ACTUALLY
10 PROVIDES AN ATTRACTIVE ECONOMIC INCENTIVE TO HIT THE MAXIMUM
11 LIMIT OF HORSES. PEOPLE CAN RUN A BUSINESS AND SUPPLEMENT
12 THEIR INCOME BY BOARDING OTHER PEOPLE'S HORSES. MOST PEOPLE
13 ONLY OWN TWO HORSES AT MOST FOUR OF THEIR OWN. AND THERE ARE
14 BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES INCLUDED, BUT HOW WILL THAT BE
15 ENFORCED? L.A. COUNTY HAS A HISTORY OF POOR ENFORCEMENT. AND
16 I'M AFRAID THAT THAT WILL CAUSE MORE POLLUTION TO OUR STREAMS
17 WITH MORE HORSES AND SMALLER AREAS. THANK YOU.

18

19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. NOLAN BURKHOLDER?

20

21 **NOLAN BURKHOLDER:** MY NAME IS NOLAN BURKHOLDER. I ALSO LIVE IN
22 CALABASAS. I'D LIKE TO START BY COMPLIMENTING THE COUNTY AND
23 ITS STAFF FOR GETTING THIS PLAN OUT FOR REVIEW AND
24 CONSIDERATION BECAUSE I REALIZE THAT'S A HUGE ACCOMPLISHMENT
25 ON YOUR PART. WITH THE CURRENT OFFERED L.C.P.-- CURRENTLY



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1 OFFERED L.C.P. AND ALL OF ITS VISITORS SERVING, THAT IS
2 COMMERCIALIZATION USES, FOOD STANDS, HOTELS, ET CETERA, WE ARE
3 AFRAID THAT THE PARKS ARE INCHING TOWARD BECOMING MORE THINGS
4 LIKE THEME PARKS THAN NATIONAL PARKS, THE ATTRACTION OF
5 NATIONAL PARKS IS THAT THERE'S NOTHING IN THEM EXCEPT TREES
6 AND ANIMALS. I'M OPPOSED TO THE COMMERCIALIZATION THAT THIS
7 PLAN WOULD ALLOW. REFRESHMENT STANDS IN ANY BUILDING THAT IS
8 CONSIDERED A PUBLIC PLACE, WHICH COULD INCLUDE REST ROOMS,
9 RURAL INNS, WHICH COULD HAVE UP TO 40 ROOMS AND BACKYARD
10 BOARDING. TO CALL THIS L.C.P.'S HORSE BOARDING POLICY BACKYARD
11 BOARDING IS LIKE CALLING THIS MEETING ROOM A COZY NOOK. EIGHT
12 HORSES PER ACRE MEANS SOMEONE COULD HAVE 24 HORSES ON THREE
13 ACRES. BUT WHO OWNS THE HORSES MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE. IF
14 THE HORSES ARE OWNED BY THE PROPERTY OWNER AND HIS OR HER
15 FAMILY, THEY WILL NOT HAVE 24 HORSES BECAUSE HORSES ARE JUST
16 NOT THAT CHEAP AND NOBODY NEEDS THAT MANY HORSES. IF THE
17 PROPERTY OWNER IS BOARDING OTHER PEOPLE'S HORSES, HOWEVER, IT
18 IS VERY LIKELY THAT THERE WILL BE MORE HORSES PRESENT. THIS
19 CREATES AN ECONOMIC INCENTIVE FOR PEOPLE TO HAVE AS MANY
20 HORSES AS THEY POSSIBLY CAN. WHY SHOULD WE ALLOW PEOPLE TO RUN
21 A BUSINESS AND COMMERCIALY BOARD HORSES OUT OF THEIR
22 BACKYARD? SOME MAY SAY, "WELL YOU DON'T REALLY THINK IT'S
23 GOING TO HAPPEN, DO YOU?" WELL IF THAT'S THE CASE, THEN LET'S
24 CHANGE THE SPEED LIMIT ON THE 101 TO 100 MILES AN HOUR. YOU
25 DON'T REALLY THINK ANYBODY'S GOING TO GO THAT FAST, DO YOU?



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1 THERE ARE PLENTY OF PEOPLE OUT THERE WHO ARE CURRENTLY
2 BOARDING PLENTY OF HORSES, BUT THE DIFFERENCE IS THAT RIGHT
3 NOW IT'S QUITE ILLEGAL. WE ARE IN FAVOR OF HORSES IN THE SANTA
4 MONICA MOUNTAINS. THE THING WE'RE OPPOSED TO IS COMMERCIAL
5 BOARDING. I AM QUITE IN FAVOR OF PRIVATELY KEEPING HORSES IN
6 FACILITIES TO RIDE THEM. IN FACT, WE'RE TRYING TO KEEP
7 DEVELOPMENT OUT IN ORDER TO FACILITATE USES LIKE HORSE RIDING.
8 NOBODY'S GOING TO LOSE THEIR HORSES OR THEIR COWS OR THEIR
9 RANCHES. TO PROPOSE A LIMIT OF 40 ROOMS FOR RURAL INNS CAUSES
10 THEM TO STOP BEING RURAL INNS AND START BEING HUGE HOTELS. MY
11 TIME'S UP. SO I BETTER STOP. THANK YOU.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU WANT TO FINISH? GO AHEAD.

14

15 **NOLAN BURKHOLDER:** NO, I HAVE TOO MUCH LEFT TO GO. I HAVE A
16 LOT. [LAUGHTER.]

17

18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
19 TESTIMONY. MARY HUBBARD AND ART HAENDIGES? I'M SORRY IF I'M
20 BUTCHERING THE NAME. THOSE ARE THE LAST TWO IN OPPOSITION. AND
21 THEN WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ARE WOBLERS. OKAY. MARY,
22 GO AHEAD.

23

24 **MARY HUBBARD:** MY NAME IS MARY HUBBARD AND I'VE BEEN AN
25 ACTIVIST IN THE AREA FOR QUITE SOMETIME. I'M HERE TODAY



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1 REPRESENTING SAVE OPEN SPACE. OUR THIRD DISTRICT LAND IS
2 UNIQUE IN MANY WAYS. IT CONTAINS THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
3 NATIONAL RECREATION AREA. IT HASN'T SUFFERED THE DEVELOPMENT
4 THAT HAS SO BLIGHTED OTHER AREAS. MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF
5 PUBLIC FUNDS AND THOUSANDS OF HOURS OF VOLUNTEER WORK HAVE
6 GONE INTO MAINTAINING THE NATURAL RESOURCES IN THIS AREA TO
7 THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE. AS A RESULT, MILLIONS OF VISITORS
8 COME TO THIS AREA TO EXPERIENCE THOSE NATURAL RESOURCES. THE
9 SUPERVISORS OF THIS DISTRICT HAVE A MANDATE TO CREATE THE
10 TIGHTEST PROTECTIONS LEGALLY POSSIBLE TO PROVIDE LOS ANGELES
11 ITS ESCAPE FROM THE OVERDEVELOPMENT, CONGESTION AND POLLUTION
12 OF URBAN AREAS. SAVE OPEN SPACE SUPPORTS THE INCORPORATION OF
13 THE NORTH AREA PLAN GUIDELINES AND SIGNIFICANT RIDGELINE AND
14 GRADING ORDINANCE LANGUAGE INTO THE PROPOSED LOCAL COASTAL
15 PROGRAM. WE ARE, HOWEVER, CONCERNED THAT THE PROPOSED L.C.P.
16 HAS CRITICAL WEAKNESSES THAT MAKE IT INCONSISTENT WITH THE
17 COASTAL ACT AND WE'RE CONCERNED THAT THE WORK WE HAVE DONE IN
18 THE PAST AND THE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF PUBLIC FUNDS THAT HAVE
19 BEEN INVESTED IN THE AREA ARE IN JEOPARDY IF THESE PORTIONS OF
20 THE CURRENT PLAN ARE ADOPTED. WE URGE YOU TO CONSIDER THE
21 CONCERNS AND ISSUES THAT I'M ABOUT TO LIST AND MAKE THE
22 APPROPRIATE CHANGES TO THE L.C.P. IN GENERAL, WE CONCUR WITH
23 THE VERY DETAILED COMMENTS OF SANTA MONICA BAYKEEPER AND HEAL
24 THE BAY AND WITH THE ORIGINAL LETTER OF THE SANTA MONICA
25 MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY THAT LISTED SPECIFIC CONCERNS. IN



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1 GENERAL, WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT INADEQUATE ENFORCEMENT. WE'RE
2 CONCERNED ABOUT COMMERCIALIZATION IN THE MOUNTAINS. AND WE'RE
3 CONCERNED ABOUT VAGUE AND AMBIGUOUS LANGUAGE IN THE PROPOSED
4 L.C. P. IN SPECIFIC, WE'RE HOPING TO HEAR SOME REVISIONS THAT
5 WOULD CLARIFY BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES, AND PROVISIONS FOR
6 UPDATING THEM AS NEW UNDERSTANDINGS AND TECHNOLOGIES ARISE. IN
7 SPECIFIC, WE WOULD LIKE YOU TO PROHIBIT, NOT USE WORDS SUCH AS
8 AVOID OR MINIMIZE, CHANNELIZATION OF STREAMS. WE WOULD LIKE
9 THE L.C.P. TO REQUIRE REDEVELOPMENT TO MEET CURRENT STANDARDS
10 THAT NEW DEVELOPMENTS WOULD HAVE TO MEET THAT POORLY SITED OR
11 MAINTAINED DEVELOPMENT NO LONGER CONTRIBUTES NEGATIVE IMPACTS.
12 WE WOULD LIKE TO ELIMINATE THE AMBIGUOUS LANGUAGE IN POLICY
13 22.44.805 SO THAT INSTEAD OF SAYING "WHERE POSSIBLE NEW
14 DEVELOPMENT SHALL PROVIDE A BUFFER OF NO LESS THAN 100 FEET"
15 IT WOULD SAY" NEW DEVELOPMENT SHALL PROVIDE A BUFFER OF NO
16 LESS THAN 100 FEET. " IF A DEVELOPMENT CAN'T MEET THAT
17 STANDARD, IT'S NOT APPROPRIATE FOR THAT SITE. AGAIN, THIS IS
18 AN EXAMPLE OF SOME OF THE MORE SPECIFIC LANGUAGE WE'D LIKE TO
19 SEE IN THE L.C.P. WE WOULD LIKE THE L.C.P. TO REQUIRE
20 MONITORING OF ON SITE WASTE TREATMENT PLANTS OR FACILITIES AND
21 REPLACEMENT OF POORLY FUNCTIONING SYSTEMS. THESE ARE A MAJOR
22 SOURCE OF WATER POLLUTION IN THE AREA. WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE
23 THAT THE POSITIONS ARE PROVIDED ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW
24 BOARD FOR PROMINENT NONPROFIT AGENCIES WITH A PROVEN TRACK
25 RECORD OF ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY. WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE



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1 LANGUAGE IN IT THAT REQUIRES THAT ALL AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES
2 BE SET BACK A MINIMUM OF 100 FEET AWAY FROM ALL WATER BODIES.
3 WE DO AGREE WITH THE PROVISION THAT HORSES ARE NOT CONSIDERED
4 AGRICULTURE, THEREFORE ENTERTAINMENT. WE DON'T USE THEM FOR
5 EATING AS OTHER AGRICULTURAL USES ARE. SO WE AGREE THAT THAT
6 LANGUAGE SHOULD BE MAINTAINED. WE BELIEVE THAT THE LANGUAGE
7 THAT ALLOWS COMMERCIAL BOARDING OF HORSES SHOULD BE
8 ELIMINATED. WE BELIEVE THAT THE RURAL INN PROVISION SHOULD BE
9 ELIMINATED. AT THE VERY LEAST, INCLUDE LANGUAGE TO LIMIT THEIR
10 CONCENTRATIONS AS IT WAS PROPOSED BY THE SANTA MONICA
11 CONSERVANCY ORIGINALLY, OR REDUCE THEIR SIZE TO LESS THAN 40.
12 FORTY ROOMS WITH ALL OF ITS STAFFING IS A LARGE OPERATION--

13

14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MARY, I'M GOING TO ASK YOU TO WRAP IT
15 UP. YOU HAVE SPOKEN.

16

17 **MARY HUBBARD:** THANK YOU. I WAS ACTUALLY DONE.

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19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. THANK YOU, MARY. ART?

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21 **ART HAENDIGES:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ART
22 HAENDIGES. I AM NOT A DEVELOPER. I HAVE LIVED IN THE SANTA
23 MONICA MOUNTAINS COASTAL ZONE FOR OVER 30 YEARS. I PURCHASED
24 MY PROPERTY OVER 30 YEARS AGO AND HAVE NOT PURCHASED ANY OTHER
25 PROPERTY SINCE THEN AND I'VE OWNED IT SINCE THAT TIME. I'M



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1 HERE TO OPPOSE THE L.C.P., SPECIFICALLY THE LAND USE POLICY AS
2 IT REFERS TO ZONING-- REZONING. THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SANTA
3 MONICA ZONE PLAN 2007 IS AN ATTEMPT BY STATE AND LOCAL
4 AGENCIES TO CONFISCATE WITHOUT COMPENSATION PRIVATE PROPERTY
5 IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. THIS PLAN RESTRICTS THE
6 USABILITY OF PRIVATE LANDS WHICH IN TURN ADVERSELY AFFECTS THE
7 VALUE OF JUST ABOUT ANYONE OWNING VACANT LAND IN THE SANTA
8 MONICA MOUNTAINS. THERE IS NO PROVISION IN THIS PLAN FOR
9 COMPENSATING PRIVATE OWNERS FOR DEVALUATION BY EXCESSIVELY
10 RESTRICTIVE ZONING. THE VALUE OF A HOME MAY BE LOCATION,
11 LOCATION, LOCATION, BUT THE VALUE OF VACANT LAND IS USABILITY,
12 USABILITY, USABILITY. IF YOU CAN'T BUILD ON YOUR PROPERTY, ITS
13 BASIC VALUE IS GONE. THIS PLAN IS AN ATTEMPT TO RESTRICT THE
14 BUILDING ON VACANT LAND IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS BY ZONE
15 CHANGES THAT ARE SO RESTRICTIVE THAT OWNERS WILL HAVE NO
16 CHOICE BUT TO ABANDON THEIR PROPERTY TO THE COUNTY OR THE
17 STATE. AND MY PROPERTY IS LOCATED JUST SOUTH OF THE COUNTY AND
18 CITY LINE OUT SOUTH OF TOPANGA. THIS IS MY TRACT THAT I BOUGHT
19 MY PROPERTY IN OVER 30 YEARS AGO. AND THIS IS MY PIECE OF
20 PROPERTY RIGHT HERE. THERE'S TWO BLOCKS. THERE'S EIGHT BLOCKS
21 IN THIS. AS YOU CAN SEE, THE REGIONAL PLANNING RECOGNIZES THE
22 SMALL LAND SUBDIVISION WHICH IS A LEGAL LAND SUBDIVISION DONE
23 BACK IN THE '30S AND '40S THAT RECOGNIZES THE UPPER HALF OF
24 THESE QUARTER ACRE LOTS HERE AND HAS ALLOWED PEOPLE TO BUILD
25 THEIR MCMANSIONS, 5,000 SQUARE FOOT HOMES UP THERE, WHILE DOWN



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1 HERE IT HAS PLANS TO REZONE IT R.C.-20. NOW, THESE WERE 40-
2 FOOT WIDE, COUNTY-MAINTAINED ROADS THAT RUN THROUGH THIS WHOLE
3 TRACT. THIS IS MY PROPERTY RIGHT HERE. AND AS YOU CAN SEE, IT
4 IS DIVIDED INTO THESE QUARTER ACRE LOTS. BUT WHAT THE COUNTY
5 ESSENTIALLY WANTS TO DO IS THIS: STRIP AWAY MY LOTS AND MAKE
6 IT R.C.-20, ALLOWING ONLY ONE HOUSE PER 20 ACRES. 40 FEET
7 ACROSS THE STREET FROM R-1-10,000, WHICH IS ONE HOUSE PER
8 QUARTER ACRE. IN OTHER WORDS, THESE PEOPLE --

9

10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK IT'S CLEAR. YOU MADE THAT CLEAR.

11

12 **ART HAENDIGES:** THESE PEOPLE CAN BUILD 80 HOUSES, I CAN'T EVEN
13 BUILD ONE ON MY LITTLE NINE ACRES DOWN HERE.

14

15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I'LL GIVE YOU A COUPLE SECONDS TO WRAP
16 UP. BUT YOUR TIME IS UP.

17

18 **ART HAENDIGES:** I'LL WRAP IT UP RIGHT HERE, THEN. YOU
19 UNDERSTAND WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT THERE? RIGHT.

20

21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WE DO.

22

23 **ART HAENDIGES:** I KNOW I'M IN THE MINORITY HERE.

24



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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT, I'M GOING TO ASK YOU TO WRAP
2 IT UP. WE'VE GOT TO MOVE ON.

3

4 **ART HAENDIGES:** BUT ANYWAY, THIS BASIC PLAN, THE PROPOSED SANTA
5 MONICA MOUNTAINS ZONE PLAN OF 2007 IS A COUNTY AND STATE LAND
6 GRAB DISGUISED AS A PROTECTOR OF COASTAL RESOURCES. THANK YOU
7 VERY MUCH.

8

9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. TELL THAT TO THE COASTAL
10 COMMISSION. IT WILL BE WORTH THEIR HEARING IT. WE HAVE A
11 NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO WANT TO BE-- WHO HAVE ASKED TO BE HEARD,
12 WHO SIGNED UP AS NEITHER FOR OR AGAINST BUT HAVE COMMENTS.
13 MARY WIESBROCK, I'LL CALL FOUR PEOPLE. MARY WIESBROCK, JIM
14 WRIGLEY, CYNTHIA MAXWELL AND DALE LANDROTH. ALL RIGHT, MARY?

15

16 **MARY WIESBROCK:** MARY WIESBROCK SAVE OPEN SPACE, SANTA MONICA
17 MOUNTAINS REPRESENTING 1,000 PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES AND VENTURA
18 COUNTIES. SAVE OPEN SPACE HAS HAD A SUCCESSFUL HISTORY OF
19 PROTECTING THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND ITS ZONE. SAVE OPEN
20 SPACE BELIEVES THAT THIS L.C.P. NEEDS CHANGES IN THE LANGUAGE
21 IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS NATIONAL
22 RECREATION AREA-- YES, THIS IS A NATIONAL PARK-- FROM OVER
23 COMMERCIALIZATION. THESE CHANGES ARE ALSO NEEDED IN ORDER TO
24 PROTECT THE MOUNTAIN CREEKS. AND THERE IS NOW A COURT ORDER TO
25 HELP PROTECT THEIR WATER QUALITY. THESE SUGGESTED CHANGES



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1 WOULD SERVE TO HELP PROTECT BEACH QUALITY FOR THE HUNDREDS OF
2 THOUSANDS OF BEACH USERS FROM UNNECESSARY CONTAMINATED RUNOFF.
3 WE DO NOT WANT TO SEE ZUMA MALIBU BEACH RATED AS AN F AND SO
4 THAT PEOPLE WON'T EVEN BE ABLE TO SWIM THERE. SAVE OPEN SPACE
5 REQUESTS THE FOLLOWING CHANGES IN THIS L.C.P. DOCUMENT SO THAT
6 IT TRULY PROTECTS THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS NATIONAL
7 RECREATION AREA. ONE, COMMERCIAL BOARDING. COMMERCIAL BOARDING
8 WITHOUT A MAJOR COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT WILL CHANGE THE WAY
9 OF LIFE OF THESE EQUESTRIANS. COMMERCIAL BOARDING IN THE
10 L.C.P. IS ALLOWED BY JUST A SIMPLE ADMINISTRATIVE PERMIT. ALSO
11 EIGHT HORSES PER ACRE IS WAY TOO MANY. THE BED AND BREAKFAST
12 ESTABLISHMENT SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED. THIS IS MORE OVER
13 COMMERCIALIZATION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND THE MALIBU
14 COASTAL ZONE. BED AND BREAKFASTS, IF THEY ARE ALLOWED, THEY
15 SHOULD AT LEAST BE ALLOWED A MAJOR COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT
16 NOT AN ADMINISTRATIVE OR MINOR PERMIT. RURAL INNS OR HOTELS OF
17 UP TO 40 UNITS ARE NOT COMPATIBLE WITH THE MALIBU COASTAL ZONE
18 AND THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA
19 BOUNDARIES. THE USE SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED IN THIS ZONE IN THE
20 DELICATE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS ECOSYSTEMS, THE SURROUNDING
21 CITIES AND OUTSIDE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE SANTA MONICA
22 MOUNTAINS UNINCORPORATED COUNTY ALREADY HAVE MANY, MANY
23 HOTELS. AND 50 PERCENT SLOPE FOR HORSES, ET CETERA, IS TOO
24 STEEP AND FACILITATES MORE RUNOFF INTO THESE DELICATE CREEKS



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1 AND THE OCEAN. THE DEGREE OF SLOPE SHOULD BE LOWERED TO 25
2 PERCENT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANKS, MARY. JIM WRIGLEY?

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6 **JIM WRIGLEY:** YES. MY NAME IS JIM WRIGLEY. I LIVE IN THE SANTA
7 MONICA MOUNTAINS. I'VE LIVED THERE FOR 33 YEARS. AND I OCCUPY
8 TWO ACRES OF LAND. IN THE PAST I'VE HAD AS MANY AS FOUR HORSES
9 ON MY PROPERTY. I CURRENTLY HAVE TWO, AND I THINK THAT'S
10 PLENTY FOR ME, ANYWAY. AND SO I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT THE
11 ALLOWANCE FOR EIGHT HORSES ON ONE ACRE REGARDLESS OF WHO OWNS
12 IT IS TOO MUCH. THAT SHOULD BE REDUCED TO FOUR AT THE VERY
13 MOST. AND SO I RECOMMEND THAT CHANGE BE MADE. I REQUEST THAT
14 ALL AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES BE SET BACK A MINIMUM OF 100 FEET
15 FROM ALL WATER BODIES. I ALSO THINK YOU SHOULD CHANGE THE
16 POLICY C.O.-10 OF THE COASTAL ZONE PLAN TO REQUIRE ELIMINATION
17 RATHER THAN MINIMIZATION OF WASTE RUNOFF. ALSO, FINALLY, I
18 WANT TO INCORPORATE SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR MINIMIZING BRUSH
19 CLEARANCE SINCE PROTECTION OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES IS THE
20 DOMINANT CONSIDERATION. BRUSH CLEARANCE VISUALLY SCARS THE
21 LAND, DESTROYS HABITATS AND DEGRADES STREAM QUALITY. ITS
22 POTENTIAL TO REDUCE BURNING IS ONLY A THEORETICAL BENEFIT THAN
23 CAN BE REALIZED ONLY IN THE RARE CASES WHEN A FIRE ACTUALLY
24 OCCURS IN THAT AREA. SO I'M SAYING WE SHOULD MINIMIZE BRUSH
25 CLEARANCE. AND THAT'S IT. THANK YOU.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. WRIGLEY. CYNTHIA MAXWELL?

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4 **CYNTHIA MAXWELL:** HELLO. THANK YOU. I APPROVE THE LOCAL COASTAL
5 PLAN AND I REALLY SUPPORT YOU FOR IT. I'M TAKING A DIFFERENT
6 TACK REGARDING THE HORSE KEEPING. I REALLY THINK IT'S
7 IMPORTANT TO HAVE HORSES IN THE COMMUNITY. HOWEVER, MY CONCERN
8 IS THAT THESE ANIMALS ARE CARED FOR PROPERLY. BY ALLOWING
9 PROFESSIONAL OR, LET'S SAY, HORSE KEEPING FOR PEOPLE THAT MAY
10 NOT HAVE EVER HAD HORSES IN THE PAST OR MAYBE REALLY DON'T
11 KNOW THAT MUCH OR THEY ARE NOT CARING FOR THE HORSES PROPERLY,
12 IT REALLY CONCERNS ME. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE
13 BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES CLEARLY DEFINED AND THAT THE HORSE
14 COMMUNITY WORKS CLOSELY WITH YOU TO MAKE SURE THAT THE ANIMALS
15 ARE WELL CARED FOR. IF WE'RE BRINGING MORE HORSES IN, IT'S
16 IMPORTANT THAT THEIR WELFARE IS CONSIDERED AS WELL AS THE
17 ENVIRONMENT. HIKING THE TRAILS AS MUCH AS I DO, I THINK IT'S
18 IMPORTANT THAT PEOPLE BE EDUCATED REGARDING PROPER USE OF THE
19 TRAILS WITH RAINS AND EROSION AND STAYING ON THE TRAILS, ALL
20 OF THESE ISSUES. AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THE HORSE
21 COMMUNITY WORK VERY CLOSELY WITH YOU ON THAT. IT IS FOR THESE
22 REASONS THAT I THINK THAT MORE THAN AN ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL
23 IS REQUIRED. WE CAN STEP IT UP ONE SO THAT PEOPLE REALLY DO
24 HAVE TO, WE HAVE SOME TEETH AS FAR AS KEEPING PEOPLE TO
25 MAINTAIN THEIR ANIMALS AND THE ENVIRONMENT WELL WOULD BE MOST



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1 IMPORTANT. I ALSO DON'T LIKE THE IDEA OF A 40-ROOM INN. WE
2 HAVE PLENTY OF FACILITIES AROUND THE AREA THAT FIT THESE
3 NEEDS. I DO UNDERSTAND THE IDEA OF HAVING SMALL BED AND
4 BREAKFASTS. BUT I THINK THAT THESE SHOULD BE VERY, VERY
5 LIMITED. AND THESE ARE MY PERSONAL OPINIONS.

6

7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU. DALE LANDROTH.

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9 **DALE LANDROTH:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN AND BOARD OF
10 SUPERVISORS--

11

12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** DALE, IF YOU COULD JUST HANG ON. DON'T
13 START HIS TIME YET. LET ME CALL THE LAST TWO SPEAKERS. MISS
14 BABE KIRKPATRICK AND CYNTHIA MARTIN. GO AHEAD, I'M SORRY.

15

16 **DALE LANDROTH:** I'M A BOARD MEMBER ON THE COLD CREEK COMMUNITY
17 COUNCIL AND I'M REPRESENTING THE BOARD MEMBERS. IN OUR AREA
18 GEOGRAPHICALLY IS MADE UP OF THOSE PEOPLE LIVING ALONG
19 MULHOLLAND HIGHWAY EAST OF MALIBU CANYON UP TO THE TOP OF THE
20 WATERSHED. WE SUPPORT THE L.C.P. WITH THE FOLLOWING FOUR
21 MODIFICATIONS. WE THINK YOU DID A GREAT JOB ON IT SO FAR.
22 NUMBER ONE, PROHIBIT DEVELOPMENT ON SLOPES OF OVER 50 PERCENT.
23 NUMBER TWO, REQUIRE MORE STRINGENT PERMITTING FOR HORSE
24 BOARDING. WE THINK THE PERMITTING SHOULD COME WITH PUBLIC
25 PARTICIPATION AND NOT AN ADMINISTRATIVE COASTAL DEVELOPMENT



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1 PERMIT. ALSO, WE THINK THAT THERE SHOULD BE LESS THAN EIGHT
2 HORSES PER ACRE, POSSIBLY THREE TO FOUR. THIS IS STRICTLY FOR
3 BOARDING HORSES THAT I'M TALKING ABOUT. AND, LASTLY, DO NOT
4 ALLOW HORSES ON SLOPES OF OVER 30 PERCENT. WE ARE NOT IN FAVOR
5 OF BED AND BREAKFASTS IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS. AND AGRICULTURAL,
6 THAT'S THREE-- AND NUMBER FOUR, AGRICULTURE SHOULD BE IN FUEL
7 MODIFICATION AREAS ZONE ONLY AND SHOULD BE USED BEST
8 MANAGEMENT PRACTICES TO PROTECT THE SOIL FROM EROSION. AND I
9 WANT TO THANK ALL THE MEMBERS AND ALL THE EMPLOYEES WHO WORK
10 VERY HARD ON THE L.C.P.

11

12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND I THINK SOME,
13 IF NOT ALL OF THE ISSUES THAT YOU RAISE WILL BE ADDRESSED IN
14 THE MOTION THAT I WILL MAKE IN A FEW MINUTES. BEFORE WE GET TO
15 THAT, WHILE IT'S ON MY MIND. THE BED AND BREAKFASTS ARE
16 SUBJECT TO A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT UNDER THE PLAN?

17

18 **GINA NATOLI:** UNDER THE PROPOSED PLAN?

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20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

21

22 **GINA NATOLI:** IT'S A MINOR C.D.P. WHICH MEANS A PUBLIC
23 HEARING.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** PUBLIC HEARING. IS IT APPEALABLE TO THE
2 PLANNING COMMISSION?

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4 **GINA NATOLI:** YES, IT'S APPEALABLE TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

5

6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SO IT'S NOT A "BY RIGHT" WHERE JUST ANY
7 OLD TOM, DICK AND HARRY COULD TAKE HIS HOUSE AND TURN IT INTO
8 A BED AND BREAKFAST. YOU HAVE TO GO THROUGH A PROCESS WITH A
9 PUBLIC HEARING AND IT'S APPEALABLE.

10

11 **GINA NATOLI:** THAT'S CORRECT, SIR.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THE SAME ON THE SO-CALLED HOTEL OR THE
14 INN, THE LARGER INN? WHAT WOULD BE THE CIRCUMSTANCE THERE?
15 SAME THING? OR WOULD THERE BE A MAJOR COASTAL DEVELOPMENT
16 PERMIT?

17

18 **GINA NATOLI:** RURAL LAND REQUIRES A MAJOR COASTAL DEVELOPMENT.

19

20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT MEANS PUBLIC HEARING? APPEALABLE TO
21 THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND APPEALABLE TO THE BOARD OF
22 SUPERVISORS?

23

24 **GINA NATOLI:** IT STARTS AT THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** AND IT'S APPEALABLE TO THE BOARD OF
2 SUPERVISORS

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4 **GINA NATOLI:** AND IS APPEALABLE TO THE BOARD, SIR, YES.

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6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANKS, GINA. BABE KIRKPATRICK.

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8 **BABE KIRKPATRICK:** HONORABLE BOARD, MY NAME IS BABE
9 KIRKPATRICK. I WOULD LIKE FIRST TO REPRESENT MYSELF AND THEN
10 THE PEOPLE OF THE THIRD DISTRICT. I COMMEND THE COUNTY ON ITS
11 MAMMOTH EFFORT THUS FAR AND WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS
12 OPPORTUNITY TO THANK ALL THOSE WHO HAVE HELPED ME TRY TO WRAP
13 MY HEAD AROUND THIS PROPOSED LEGAL DOCUMENT. WHAT YOU SAY IN
14 WORDS AND WHAT YOU MEAN TO SAY MAY NOT BE EVIDENT YET. THOUGH
15 YOUR INTENT THIS MOMENT IS CRYSTAL CLEAR, I WOULD BE LYING IF
16 I DID NOT SAY I AM SO FRIGHTENED BY ALL THIS THAT SOMETIMES I
17 FORGET WHO I AM, AND THEN I NEED HELP. SO HELP ME GOD. AND
18 CERTAINLY THE RULES ARE WRITTEN DOWN. WE THE PEOPLE WANT ALL
19 THE RULES PERTAINING, AND IN RELATION, TO THE SANTA MONICA
20 MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO
21 ALL RELATED LEGAL DOCUMENTS WRITTEN DOWN NOW. FURTHER, WE MUST
22 BE ALLOWED NO LESS THAN 60 DAYS TO REVIEW AND THEN BE HEARD
23 BEFORE THE TIME THAT THIS HONORABLE BOARD SIGNIFIES THEIR
24 INTENT TO ADOPT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS L.C.P. TO THE
25 CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION. IF YOU REFUSE TO WRITE DOWN THE



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1 RULES OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM,
2 THAT WILL SIGNIFY YOUR INTENT NOT TO ALLOW YOUR GOOD PEOPLE A
3 JUST AND FAIR OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD ON THIS MATERIALLY
4 IMPORTANT MATTER. FURTHER, WE THE PEOPLE RESPECTFULLY
5 REFERENCE WORDS MISSING AFTER THE COLON AND THE ELLIPSIS AT
6 THE END OF THE WORDS IN 21.16.070 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON
7 PAGE TWO OF THE CURRENT SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS PLAN AMENDMENT
8 AND OF ALL THE WORDS MISSING AT THE END OF THE WORDS FOLLOWED
9 BY A COLON AND ELLIPSIS CONTAINED IN THE CURRENT SANTA MONICA
10 MOUNTAINS L.C.P. QUITE A BLACK HOLE HERE, REALLY. ATTACHED,
11 I'VE INCLUDED THE PEOPLE'S ZONING AND LAND USE CHANGE--

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** BEFORE-- I DON'T MEAN TO INTERRUPT. I
14 LOOKED AT YOU WHEN SHE SAID THAT AND YOU SHOOK YOUR HEAD NO.
15 IS SHE MISUNDERSTANDING WHAT SHE'S LOOKING AT OR DID WE MAKE A
16 MISTAKE?

17

18 **GINA NATOLI:** NO, SUPERVISOR. THE INDIVIDUAL IS
19 MISINTERPRETING WHAT SHE'S SEEING. THE WAY THAT WE WRITE
20 ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION IS THAT THERE'S SOMETHING ALREADY
21 EXISTING IN AN ORDINANCE THAT WE'RE NOT CHANGING, WE SIGNIFY
22 THAT BY PUTTING THE THREE DOTS AFTER A PARAGRAPH. AND ONLY THE
23 PLACES WHERE WE'RE HAVING AN ADDITION OR DELETION, THAT'S THE
24 ONLY THING THAT GETS PUBLISHED. SO IT'S NOT THAT WE'RE NOT
25 PUTTING IN THE COMPLETE WORDING. IT'S THAT THE WORDING ALREADY



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1 EXISTS AND WE'RE ONLY MODIFYING A PORTION OF THAT EXISTING
2 WORDING.

3

4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU ONLY ENUMERATE THE CHANGES YOU'RE
5 MAKING, NOT REPRINTING THE WHOLE THING.

6

7 **GINA NATOLI:** THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

8

9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WE'LL WORK WITH YOU, MISS KIRKPATRICK,
10 TO MAKE SURE IF YOU HAVE THAT OR ANY OTHER QUESTIONS ON THIS
11 ALONG THE WAY. AND MY STAFF AND THE PLANNING STAFF WILL BE
12 AVAILABLE TO WORK WITH YOU. THANKS. CYNTHIA MARTIN IS THE LAST
13 SPEAKER.

14

15 **CYNTHIA MARTIN:** MY NAME IS CYNTHIA MARTIN AND I REPRESENT
16 EIGHT INDIVIDUAL HOMEOWNERS OFF OF RAMBLER PACIFICO, A.P.N.S
17 4453, 004037, 038, 041, 042, 43, 44, 46 AND 47.

18

19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK YOU REPRESENT-- I THINK SOMEBODY
20 ELSE FROM YOUR COMPANY SPOKE LAST WEEK, DID THEY NOT?

21

22 **CYNTHIA MARTIN:** NOT ON THIS TOPIC. NOT ON THIS TOPIC, THEY DID
23 NOT. WE HAD TWO PEOPLE FROM SCHMITZ AND ASSOCIATES SPEAK BUT
24 NOT ON DENSITY CONTROL AND NOT ON THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT. IT
25 MAY HAVE BEEN--



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** GO AHEAD. WE'LL GIVE YOU EXTRA TIME.
3 START HER TIME OVER AGAIN.

4

5 **CYNTHIA MARTIN:** I'M HERE TO SUPPORT INCLUSION OF DENSITY
6 CONTROL DEVELOPMENT IN THE DRAFT L.C.P. IT WAS ORIGINALLY--
7 IT'S CURRENTLY CONTAINED IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE. IT
8 WAS ORIGINALLY OMITTED IN THE DRAFT. WE RECOMMENDED INCLUSION
9 IN THE THE PLAN COMMISSION AND THEY SUPPORTED SUCH INCLUSION
10 AND WE RECOMMEND THE SAME FROM YOU. I'LL JUST QUICKLY READ THE
11 PROVISION. IT'S SECTION 22.08.040 AND IT'S THE CONCENTRATION
12 OF DWELLING UNITS ON A PORTION OR PORTIONS OF A LOT OR PARCEL
13 OF LAND RESULTING IN THE REMAINDER OF SAID LOT OR PARCEL BEING
14 FREE OF BUILDING OR STRUCTURES AS OPPOSED TO DEVELOPMENTS
15 SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE LOT OR PARCEL. SUCH DEVELOPMENT
16 SHALL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COMPUTING DENSITY ON A PROJECT LEVEL
17 RATHER THAN A PARCEL BY PARCEL BASIS AND BY THE USE OF SMALLER
18 LOTS THAN ARE CUSTOMARILY PERMITTED IN THE ZONE IN WHICH THE
19 DEVELOPMENT IS PROPOSED WHILE RETAINING THE REMAINING PORTION
20 IN PERMANENT OPEN SPACE. WHAT THIS IS ALLOWS IS CLUSTERING OF
21 LAND. IF YOU LOOK AT THIS EXHIBIT THAT I'VE PREPARED, YOU CAN
22 SEE THAT AS CURRENTLY CONFIGURED, THE EIGHT PROPERTY OWNERS
23 CAN SPREAD THEIR DEVELOPMENTS ACROSS THE PARCEL. BUT UNDER A
24 DENSITY CONTROL DEVELOPMENT, WHAT YOU HAVE IS THE PROPERTIES,
25 THE DEVELOPMENT CLUSTERED NEAR THE MAIN THOROUGH WAY OF



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1 RAMBLER PACIFICO SO IT ALLOWS FOR CLUSTER DEVELOPMENT,
2 CONCENTRATED FUEL MODIFICATION AND BRUSH CLEARANCE,
3 CONCENTRATED SEPTICS, SHORTER ACCESS ROADS AND LESS GRADING.
4 AND ALSO ON THE HEELS OF THE FIRE, IT ALLOWS EASIER ACCESS FOR
5 FIRE PERSONNEL, EMERGENCY PERSONNEL AND FOR EVACUATION. IN
6 ADDITION TO THAT, WE'RE PROPOSING THAT AN ADDITIONAL SENTENCE
7 BE ADDED TO THE DEFINITION OF DENSITY CONTROLLED DEVELOPMENT.
8 THE BLUE HIGHLIGHTED SECTION IS HOW DENSITY IS CURRENTLY
9 DETERMINED UNDER THIS PROVISION AND IT SAYS SUCH DEVELOPMENT
10 SHALL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COMPUTING DENSITY ON A PROJECT LEVEL.
11 THE WAY THAT'S INTERPRETED IS IT'S AVERAGED OUT. AND IN THIS
12 CIRCUMSTANCE, INSTEAD OF HAVING EIGHT INDIVIDUAL PARCELS, YOU
13 RESULT IN THREE BECAUSE THE ZONES ARE AVERAGED OUT AND IT'S
14 TREATED AS ONE PARCEL. WE'RE ASKING THAT THIS ADDITIONAL
15 SENTENCE BE ADDED THAT WOULD ALLOW THE PROPERTY OWNERS TO
16 MAINTAIN JUST WHAT THEY WOULD GET IF CURRENTLY ZONED TO EIGHT.

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18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **CYNTHIA MARTIN:** THANK YOU. AND I HAVE A HANDOUT WITH THAT
21 PROPOSED LANGUAGE.

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23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SERGEANT WILL TAKE THAT AND DISTRIBUTE
24 IT TO THE BOARD.

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1 **CYNTHIA MARTIN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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3 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK EVERYBODY WHO
4 SPOKE. TODAY AND CAME DOWN. I KNOW IT WAS DIFFICULT LAST WEEK.
5 IT'S NOT MUCH EASIER TODAY. I APPRECIATE EVERYBODY TAKING THE
6 TIME. NOT JUST COMING TODAY, BUT MOST OF THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE
7 SPOKEN HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THE COUNTY, WITH MY OFFICE AND
8 WITH THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT FOR A LONG TIME ON THIS PLAN.
9 SOME OF THEM EVEN REFERENCED HAVE BEEN ASPIRING FOR THIS PLAN
10 FOR LONGER THAN I'VE BEEN AROUND AT THE COUNTY. AND I KNOW HOW
11 HARD YOU'VE WORKED. THIS PLAN IS A PRODUCT-- AND I'M GOING TO
12 MAKE SOME PROPOSED CHANGES IN A SECOND OR ADDITIONS, NOT SO
13 MUCH CHANGES-- THIS PLAN IS A PRODUCT OF COMMUNITY INPUT. NO
14 PLAN THAT I'VE EVER BEEN INVOLVED IN HAS HAD MORE GROUND UP
15 COMMUNITY INPUT. IT REALLY IS A PLAN THAT HAS BEEN DEVELOPED
16 BY THE COMMUNITY AND IT'S WORKED ITS WAY UP IN CONJUNCTION
17 WITH THE PLANNING STAFF. IT'S NOT SOMETHING THAT WE DREAMED UP
18 IN THE IVORY TOWER HERE AND IMPOSED ON EVERYBODY ELSE. I THINK
19 IT'S UNIQUE, EVEN IN MY EXPERIENCE TO HAVE HAD THIS BREADTH OF
20 SUPPORT FROM WHAT SEEMINGLY WAS-- WERE IRRECONCILABLE POINTS
21 OF VIEW GOING INTO THIS PROCESS TO THE POINT WHERE NOW WE HAVE
22 A PLAN THAT IS EMBRACED BY THE BROAD CROSS SECTION OF THE
23 PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THIS AREA, THE PEOPLE WHO CARE ABOUT THIS
24 AREA, THE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES THAT OVERSEE AND OWN PROPERTY IN
25 THIS AREA, THE PARK AGENCIES AND THE LIKE. IT'S A PLAN THAT IS



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1 SUPPORTED BY THE LOCAL-- BY THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, BY THE
2 STATE PARKS SERVICE, THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY,
3 THE LOCAL SIERRA CLUB, THE TOPANGA T.A.S.C. GROUP THAT YOU
4 HEARD FROM EARLIER. NOT EVERYBODY AGREES WITH 100 PERCENT OF
5 WHAT'S IN THE PLAN. I CAN'T SAY THAT I AGREE WITH 100 PERCENT
6 OF EVERYTHING THAT'S IN THE DRAFT PLAN. BUT AS A BROAD
7 DOCUMENT, IT IS A FAR SIGHT BETTER THAN WHAT WE HAVE NOW. IT
8 IS INFINITELY BETTER THAN WHAT WE HAVE NOW. AND IT IS
9 SIGNIFICANTLY BETTER THAN THE NORTH AREA PLAN THAT WE ADOPTED
10 JUST A FEW YEARS AGO. WE'VE LEARNED FROM THE NORTH AREA PLAN
11 EXPERIENCE. WE'VE TAKEN THE GOOD THINGS THAT CAME FROM THAT
12 PLAN AND REPLICATED THEM HERE. AND THE STUFF THAT DIDN'T WORK
13 OUT THE WAY WE WANTED IT TO OR THAT NEEDED DIFFERENT
14 APPLICATION IN THE COASTAL ZONE AREA, WE'VE DONE DIFFERENTLY.
15 AND I MAKE THAT POINT BECAUSE THE ISSUE BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND
16 THE COASTAL COMMISSION REALLY WILL COME DOWN TO THIS ISSUE OF
17 E.S.H.A. AND I WANT TO MAKE IT REAL CLEAR. THERE IS NO
18 DIFFERENCE OF OPINION BETWEEN THIS COUNTY AND ANY GROUP, ANY
19 GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY OR ANY ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP ABOUT THE
20 IMPORTANCE OF PROTECTING ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE HABITAT
21 AREAS. THE DIFFERENCE IS: WE ARE UP FRONT AND STRAIGHT ABOUT
22 IT. AND THE COASTAL COMMISSION IS NOT. AND I WANT TO MAKE IT
23 VERY CLEAR AS TO WHAT THOSE ARE. [APPLAUSE.] HANG ON. I WANT
24 TO MAKE CLEAR WHAT'S GOING ON. BECAUSE IT DID NOT COME ACROSS
25 IN THIS MORNING'S DAILY NEWS ARTICLE. AND CERTAINLY IT HASN'T



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1 BEEN DISCUSSED PUBLICLY. BUT THE FAT'S IN THE FIRE, SO LET'S
2 TALK ABOUT IT. IN THE MALIBU COASTAL PLAN, WHICH WAS APPROVED
3 BY THE COASTAL COMMISSION, BY THE LEGISLATURE, FOISTED ON THE
4 CITY OF MALIBU, THAT PLAN DECLARES VIRTUALLY EVERYTHING, EVERY
5 SAGE BRUSH, EVERY PIECE OF CHAPARRAL AS E.S.H.A. VIRTUALLY THE
6 ENTIRE CITY OF MALIBU IS DECLARED E.S.H.A. SO WHEN I SAT DOWN
7 WITH PETER DOUGLAS, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COASTAL
8 COMMISSION AND HIS STAFF IN MY OFFICE MANY MONTHS AGO, TRYING
9 TO FIND A MEETING OF THE MINDS ON THIS ON HOW WE COULD
10 RECONCILE OUR TWO POINTS OF VIEW, BECAUSE WE BELIEVE, AND SO
11 DOES HE BELIEVE, THAT YOU CAN'T DENY ANYBODY THE RIGHT TO
12 DEVELOP HIS PROPERTY WITH AT LEAST ONE HOUSE. YOU SIMPLY CAN'T
13 UNLESS YOU'RE PREPARED TO BUY THE PROPERTY. NOT THAT EITHER
14 PETER DOUGLAS OR I WOULD NOT WANT TO HAVE EVERYBODY'S HOUSE
15 CONDEMNED AND PUT INTO PUBLIC OWNERSHIP, PART OF THE NATIONAL
16 PARK. BUT WE'RE NOT GOING TO DO THAT. IT'S NOT PRACTICAL. SO
17 HIS ANSWER TO ME WHEN I SAID HOW DO YOU RECONCILE THE
18 CONSTITUTIONAL TAKINGS ISSUE WITH DECLARING EVERYTHING IN THE
19 MALIBU, CITY OF MALIBU COASTAL PLAN AS E.S.H.A. AS
20 ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE HABITAT? HIS ANSWER TO ME IS WELL WE
21 WILL GRANT AN EXEMPTION WHEN SOMEBODY WANTS TO DEVELOP THEIR
22 PROPERTY IN AN E.S.H.A., WE WILL GRANT AN EXCEPTION. THEY HAVE
23 TO COME IN, PAY A FEE. I SUPPOSE THEY HAVE TO PAY A MITIGATION
24 FEE OF SOME SORT, TOO, TO HELP RUN THE AGENCY. AND TO REPLACE
25 THE E.S.H.A. AND THEN THEY GET THE RIGHT TO BUILD. AND I DON'T



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1 KNOW HOW MANY WE'RE GOING TO FIND OUT. WE'RE GOING TO ASK THE
2 COASTAL COMMISSION HOW MANY EXEMPTIONS THEY HAVE GRANTED SO
3 FAR SINCE THE MALIBU L.C.P. HAS BEEN ADOPTED, HOW MANY
4 EXEMPTIONS THEY HAVE GRANTED. I THINK PERSONALLY AS A PUBLIC
5 OFFICIAL AND PERSONALLY THAT IT IS TERRIBLE, IT IS HORRIBLE TO
6 SET UP A SYSTEM WHEREBY FROM THE STARTER'S GATE EVERYBODY'S
7 EXPECTED TO GO SEEK AN EXCEPTION TO THE RULE RATHER THAN KNOW
8 WHAT THE RULES ARE AND HAVE TO LIVE BY THE RULES. SO THAT OUR
9 PLAN, THE ONE THAT'S BEFORE US TODAY, IS A PLAN THAT SETS OUT
10 THE RULES. IT DOES NOT DECLARE EVERY BRANCH AND EVERY TWIG AND
11 EVERY SAGE BRUSH AND EVERY CHAPARRAL IN THE L.C.P., IN OUR
12 L.C.P. AREA AS E.S.H.A. IT DOES NOT. AND THE SCIENCE WILL BACK
13 THAT UP. OUR SCIENTISTS WILL BACK THAT UP. THEIR SCIENTISTS
14 WILL SAY A DIFFERENT THING. IT IS NOT FREE FROM DOUBT. IT IS
15 NOT A CLEAR-CUT CASE. BUT WHAT WE DO IS WHEN WE DESIGNATE
16 E.S.H.A., CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, MISS NATOLI, IN OUR
17 E.S.H.A., YOU CANNOT GET-- YOU CANNOT DEVELOP IN OUR E.S.H.A.,
18 IS THAT CORRECT?

19

20 **GINA NATOLI:** OTHER THAN FOR ACCESS ROADS, THAT'S CORRECT.

21

22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OTHER THAN AN ACCESS ROAD. YOU CANNOT
23 BUILD A HOUSE IN AN E.S.H.A.?

24

25 **GINA NATOLI:** THAT'S CORRECT.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN'T BUILD A CORRAL IN AN E.S.H.A.
3 CAN'T BUILD A GARAGE IN AN E.S.H.A. YOU CAN'T BUILD A BARN IN
4 AN E.S.H.A. YOU CAN'T BUILD A MOVIE SCREENING ROOM IN AN
5 E.S.H.A. ANY OF THAT STUFF. YOU CAN'T DO IT. IN MALIBU, YOU
6 CAN DO IT. NOW UNDER OUR PLAN-- AND I'M GOING TO MAKE A
7 PROPOSAL THAT WE TAKE THE 15,000 SQUARE FOOT DEVELOPMENT AREA
8 DOWN TO 10,000 TO MAKE IT CONSISTENT WITH BOTH OUR NORTH AREA
9 PLAN AND THE MALIBU PLAN, AND I THINK IT WILL WORK FINE. BUT
10 IN THE MALIBU PLAN, WHAT IS THE LIMIT, THE DEVELOPMENT ACREAGE
11 LIMIT ON THE MALIBU PLAN?

12

13 **GINA NATOLI:** SUPERVISOR, SOME OF THEIR DEVELOPMENTS ARE
14 ALLOWED TO ONE ACRE OF DEVELOPABLE AREA.

15

16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ONE ACRE, IF IT'S 100-ACRE PIECE. IS IT
17 NOT A SLIDING SCALE? SO THAT IF YOU'RE 50 ACRES, IT'S A LOT
18 MORE THAN IF IT'S 25 ACRES. AND IF IT'S 25 ACRES, IT'S A LOT
19 MORE THAN IF IT'S 10 ACRES? SO THERE'S A SLIDING SCALE. THE
20 BIGGER THE PROPERTY, THE MORE YOU CAN BUILD, CORRECT?

21

22 **GINA NATOLI:** THE BIGGER THE PROPERTY IS, THE MORE YOU CAN
23 BUILD. IT'S A SLIDING SCALE.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THE MORE YOU CAN DISTURB, AND UNDER THE
2 PLAN THAT WE PROPOSE, JUST SO I UNDERSTAND AND EVERYBODY ELSE
3 UNDERSTANDS, IF I HAVE 100-ACRE PIECE OF PROPERTY UNDER THIS
4 L.C.P., WILL I BE ABLE TO DISTURB AN ACRE WORTH OF LAND?

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6 **GINA NATOLI:** NO, SUPERVISOR.

7

8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT WILL I BE ABLE TO DISTURB? EITHER
9 10 OR 15,000, WHATEVER WE DECIDE TO DO, CORRECT?

10

11 **GINA NATOLI:** THAT'S CORRECT.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** NO EXCEPTIONS. AND THAT IS WHY-- AND I
14 WANT TO COMMEND DAVE BROWN FOR THE INCREDIBLE SIDE BY SIDE
15 ANALYSIS HE DID OF THE TWO PLANS. BECAUSE WE KNEW THIS WOULD
16 BE ATTACKED BY WELL MEANING PEOPLE AT THE COASTAL STAFF. WE
17 WANTED-- DAVE DID A GREAT SIDE BY SIDE ANALYSIS WHICH LAID OUT
18 REALLY WHAT CAN ONLY BE DESCRIBED AS THIS PLAN IS MUCH MORE
19 RESTRICTIVE AND MUCH MORE FOCUSED AND SURGICALLY ATTENTIVE TO
20 THE ISSUES THE COASTAL ACT PROMULGATES. AND THAT'S WHAT I HOPE
21 EVERYONE WILL COME OUT OF THIS UNDERSTANDING. IT IS A FAR MORE
22 RESTRICTIVE PLAN IN SOME RESPECTS THAN THE NORTH AREA PLAN
23 WAS. THE NORTH AREA PLAN WAS PRETTY RESTRICTIVE. AND IT IS FAR
24 MORE FOCUSED THAN THE MALIBU L.C.P. BECAUSE IF YOU HAVE A LAW
25 WHICH BY DEFINITION INVITES EVERYBODY TO COME IN AND SEEK AN



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1 EXEMPTION FROM THAT LAW TO EXERCISE THEIR RIGHTS, YOU'VE GOT A
2 CONFIDENCE PROBLEM OF MAJOR PROPORTIONS. THEN WHY NOT ASK FOR
3 A VARIANCE FOR YOUR PAD SIZE? AND WHY NOT ASK FOR YOUR BARN?
4 AND WHY NOT FOR 50 HORSES INSTEAD OF 24 HORSES. ONCE YOU START
5 SAYING THAT EXEMPTIONS ARE PART OF THE WAY OF DOING BUSINESS,
6 THEN IT'S NOT JUST GOING TO BE EXEMPTIONS FROM E.S.H.A., IT'S
7 GOING TO BE EXEMPTIONS FROM EVERYTHING. AND I WILL CLOSE MY
8 EXTEMPORANEOUS REMARKS BY COMING BACK TO THE REASON I ASKED--
9 THE REASON I MENTIONED THE NORTH AREA PLAN, AND THIS IS AN
10 IMPROVEMENT ON THE NORTH AREA PLAN. I BELIEVE THAT THE COASTAL
11 STAFF -- AND I HOPE THE COMMISSION WILL NOT-- WILL SEE BEYOND
12 IT. I BELIEVE THE COASTAL STAFF IS TOO INVESTED IN THE
13 LANGUAGE IN THE MALIBU PLAN. THEY GOT THAT DONE. THEY'RE PROUD
14 OF IT. GOD BLESS THEM. AND THEY DON'T THINK-- IN FACT THE
15 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COASTAL COMMISSION IS QUOTED IN THIS
16 MORNING'S PAPER AS SAYING WE'RE SEEKING SPECIAL TREATMENT. ON
17 THE CONTRARY, WE'RE TRYING TO AVOID PEOPLE GETTING SPECIAL
18 TREATMENT AS IS THE FUNDAMENTAL UNDERPINNINGS OF THEIR PLAN.
19 WE HAVE SEEN THE PLUSES AND MINUSES OF THE NORTH AREA PLAN AND
20 BUILT UPON IT. WE ARE NOT STUCK, OUR EGOS ARE NOT STUCK, IN
21 THE DRAFTING OF THE OLD PLAN. AND I WOULD HOPE THAT THE
22 COASTAL COMMISSION STAFF WILL SEE IT THAT WAY. IT'S NOT
23 LIKELY. BUT I CERTAINLY HOPE THAT THE COMMISSIONERS WILL SEE
24 THAT IT'S NOT NECESSARY TO BE A GOOD STEWARD OF THE
25 ENVIRONMENT AND A GOOD STEWARD OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS



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1 COASTAL ZONE TO DRAFT A PLAN THAT IS IDENTICAL TO THE MALIBU
2 COASTAL PLAN, ESPECIALLY SINCE THAT PLAN HAS FLAWS IN IT AND
3 WE'VE TRIED TO IDENTIFY THEM AND BUILD ON IT. THAT'S REALLY
4 THE LONG AND SHORT OF IT. WE'RE 99 PERCENT IN AGREEMENT ON
5 VIRTUALLY EVERYTHING IN THAT RESPECT. THIS IS GOING TO BE AN
6 ISSUE. AND IT'S AN ISSUE THAT WE FEEL VERY STRONGLY ABOUT.
7 WITH THAT, LET ME MAKE A MOTION. FIRST, LET ME THANK THE
8 STAFF. I WANT TO THANK THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT STAFF. THEY'VE
9 DONE A GREAT JOB ON THIS. [APPLAUSE.] AND I WANT TO THANK MY
10 OWN STAFF, BEN SALZMAN HAS DONE AN EXTRAORDINARY JOB ON THIS.
11 [APPLAUSE.] AND NEXT YEAR HE'S GOING TO BE OLD ENOUGH TO VOTE.
12 [LAUGHTER.] HE'S DONE A GREAT JOB IN BRINGING EVERYBODY
13 TOGETHER. AND I APPRECIATE THE WORK YOU'VE DONE VERY MUCH. AND
14 I WANT TO THANK THE PEOPLE AGAIN FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION. SO
15 LET ME READ THE MOTION. SEVEN YEARS AGO, THIS BOARD ADOPTED
16 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS NORTH AREA PLAN AS A WAY TO STOP
17 THE OVERDEVELOPMENT ALONG THE VENTURA FREEWAY CORRIDOR THAT
18 HISTORICALLY THREATENED THIS ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE REGION.
19 TODAY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS THE UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO
20 EXPAND THAT PROTECTION TO THE COASTAL ZONE BY VOTING IN FAVOR
21 OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM WITH A FEW
22 IMPORTANT MODIFICATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN RAISED BY MEMBERS OF
23 THE PUBLIC DURING THE EXTENSIVE PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS THAT HAS
24 GONE INTO CREATING THIS L.C.P. THAT'S THE INPUT WE RECEIVED
25 LAST WEEK AND THIS WEEK AND ALSO THAT WE'VE RECEIVED ALONG THE



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1 WAY IN WRITING AND IN MEETINGS. BECAUSE OF THE SANTA MONICA
2 MOUNTAINS ENVIRONMENTAL SENSITIVITY, SUSCEPTIBILITY TO
3 WILDFIRES AND GEOLOGIC HAZARDS, THE PROPOSAL L.C.P.
4 UNEQUIVOCALLY ESTABLISHES THE PRINCIPLE THAT RESOURCE
5 PROTECTION AND PUBLIC SAFETY HAVE PRIORITY OVER DEVELOPMENT IN
6 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS COASTAL ZONE. JUST AS IMPORTANTLY,
7 IT WILL CODIFY THE STRINGENT SET OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
8 MEASURES TO ENSURE THAT THE L.C.P.'S PROTECTION MEASURES ARE
9 FAIRLY, HONESTLY AND CONSISTENTLY. TO THAT END, THE L.C.P.
10 WILL DRAMATICALLY REDUCE ZONING DENSITIES, BAN NEW RESIDENTIAL
11 AND COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE
12 HABITAT AREAS, PROHIBIT NEW DEVELOPMENT WITHIN 50 FEET OF
13 SIGNIFICANT RIDGE LINES REQUIRE THOROUGH BIOLOGICAL REVIEW
14 PRIOR TO THE ISSUANCE OF ANY COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT,
15 REDUCE GRADING AND SITE DISTURBANCE, DRAMATICALLY LIMIT THE
16 FOOTPRINT OF NEW DEVELOPMENT AND GUIDE IT TOWARD THE FLATTEST
17 PORTIONS OF A PROPERTY. LIMIT THE LENGTH OF NEW DRIVEWAYS AND
18 ACCESS ROADS. ENACT DARK SKIES PROVISIONS TO PREVENT LIGHT
19 POLLUTION. PREVENT ANY NET INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF
20 DEVELOPABLE LOTS IN THE COASTAL ZONE, CREATE DEVELOPMENT
21 STANDARDS TO PRESERVE SCENIC VIEWS, REQUIRE THE USE OF
22 LANDSCAPE PLANS THAT WILL PREVENT THE INTRODUCTION OF INVASIVE
23 PLANTS, MINIMIZE THE AESTHETIC IMPACT OF RETAINING WALLS.
24 PRESERVE THE FREE MOVEMENT OF WILDLIFE THROUGHOUT THE SANTA
25 MONICA MOUNTAINS COASTAL ZONES AND TAKE MANY OTHER ACTIONS TO



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1 SIMILARLY PROTECT ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND AVOID NATURAL
2 HAZARDS. WHILE THE L.C.P. TAKES EVERY APPROPRIATE AND LEGAL
3 STEP TO LIMIT NEW DEVELOPMENT, THE PLAN ALSO RECOGNIZES THAT
4 THE COASTAL ZONE IS HOME TO NEARLY 10,000 PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN
5 SEVERAL ESTABLISHED COMMUNITIES, EACH OF WHICH HAVE THEIR OWN
6 UNIQUE CHARACTER, NEEDS AND WAY OF LIFE. IN THE SAME VEIN, THE
7 L.C.P. RECOGNIZES THAT BOTH THE COASTAL ACT AND GOOD PUBLIC
8 POLICY MANDATE THE PRESERVATION AND EXPANSION OF VISITOR
9 SERVING USES THAT ARE APPROPRIATE TO THE SANTA MONICA
10 MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA'S UNIQUE ENVIRONMENT. FOR
11 THAT REASON THE L.C.P. AGGRESSIVELY PROMOTES THE EXPANSION OF
12 THE PUBLIC TRAIL SYSTEM, FACILITATES THE CREATION OF NEW
13 PUBLIC PARKS AND RELATED USES AND CAREFULLY ALLOWS A SELECT
14 FEW NEW LAND USES THAT WILL ALLOW THE PUBLIC TO STAY OVERNIGHT
15 IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AS LONG AS THESE OVERNIGHT
16 FACILITIES ARE ON LARGE LOTS, WILL MAINTAIN THE RURAL
17 AESTHETIC OF THE AREA, INCORPORATE COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL
18 PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MEASURES AND PASS
19 THROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY AND PUBLIC REVIEW. SIMILARLY THE
20 L.C.P. CODIFIES POLICES THAT WILL ENSURE THAT THE SANTA MONICA
21 MOUNTAINS' HISTORY OF HORSE KEEPING WILL CONTINUE LONG INTO
22 THE FUTURE. AT THE SAME TIME, HORSE FACILITIES WILL BE
23 REQUIRED TO MEET STRINGENT ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS THAT
24 INCLUDE UNEQUIVOCAL SETBACKS FROM ALL RIPARIAN ZONES AND THE
25 IMPLEMENTATION OF OTHER BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES TO PROTECT



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1 NATIVE HABITAT AND PRESERVE WATER QUALITY. IN SHORT, ONCE
2 CERTIFIED BY THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION, THE COUNTY'S
3 L.C.P. WILL CONSISTENTLY PROTECT SENSITIVE ENVIRONMENTAL
4 RESOURCES BY APPLYING BINDING AND EQUALLY APPLIED DEVELOPMENT
5 STANDARDS ON EVERY PROJECT. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ACCESS
6 ROADS, IT WILL PROHIBIT NEW DEVELOPMENT IN E.S.H.A., IT WILL
7 REQUIRE AN UNPRECEDENTED SET OF MEASURES TO PROTECT PUBLIC
8 HEALTH AND SAFETY FROM WILDFIRES AND GEOLOGIC INSTABILITY, IT
9 WILL IMPROVE WATER QUALITY AT THE COUNTY'S HEAVILY USED
10 BEACHES BY PRESERVING INLAND WATERSHEDS AND PROTECTING STREAMS
11 AND TRIBUTARIES FROM RUNOFF AND OTHER POLLUTANTS. IT WILL
12 SIMPLIFY THE PERMITTING PROCESS AND PROVIDE CERTAINTY FOR
13 APPLICANTS AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES. IT WILL PRESERVE THE
14 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS' HISTORIC WAY OF LIFE, AND IT WILL
15 ALLOW THE COUNTY TO ASSUME LOCAL PERMITTING AUTHORITY WITHIN
16 OUR OWN JURISDICTION. FOR ALL THESE REASONS, NOW IS THE TIME
17 FOR THE COUNTY TO ENACT THESE PROTECTIONS AND PRESERVE THE
18 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS COASTAL ZONE IN PERPETUITY. I THEREFORE
19 MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING,
20 INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL AND REGIONAL PLANNING TO PREPARE THE
21 FOLLOWING CHANGES TO THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL
22 PROGRAM AND SUBMIT THE REVISED L.C.P. TO THE BOARD OF
23 SUPERVISORS FOR FINAL CONSIDERATION PRIOR TO SUBMITTING IT TO
24 THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION FOR ITS REVIEW AND
25 CERTIFICATION. NUMBER ONE, PROHIBIT CAMP FIRES IN THE SANTA



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1 MONICA MOUNTAINS COASTAL ZONE. NUMBER TWO, ADD EMERGENCY
2 PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE FACILITIES AS AN ALLOWED USE IN
3 EVERY ZONE. THREE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FACILITATING THE
4 REBUILDING OF HOMES DESTROYED IN A DISASTER, ALLOW THE
5 DIRECTOR TO NOT ONLY WAIVE INFORMATIONAL REQUIREMENTS AS
6 CURRENTLY STATED IN THE L.C.P. BUT ALSO ALLOW THE DIRECTOR TO
7 LOOK AT ASSESSORS' RECORDS, AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS AND ANY OTHER
8 TOOLS HELPFUL IN ESTABLISHING THAT A GIVEN USE WAS LAWFULLY
9 ESTABLISHED. FOUR, CLEARLY STATE THAT NEW DEVELOPMENT, EXCEPT
10 FOR TRAILS, SHALL BE PROHIBITED ON SLOPES OF 50 PERCENT OR
11 GREATER UNLESS REQUIRED FOR SAFETY REASONS OR IF ALLOWING SUCH
12 DEVELOPMENT WOULD BE MORE PROTECTIVE OF COASTAL RESOURCES.
13 FIVE, CLARIFY THAT EXISTING LAWFULLY ESTABLISHED DEVELOPMENTS,
14 INCLUDING LIVESTOCK CONTAINMENT FACILITIES, SHALL BE
15 GRANDFATHERED WITH RESPECT TO MANDATED SETBACKS, BUT SHALL
16 NEVERTHELESS BE SUBJECT TO ALL OTHER REQUIRED BEST MANAGEMENT
17 PRACTICES AT THE SOONEST PRACTICABLE DATE. SIX, ENACT A POLICY
18 THAT STATES THAT THE SQUARE FOOT STANDARDS FOR BUILDING SITES
19 AND WATERSHEDS, SIGNIFICANT WATERSHEDS, AND SIGNIFICANT
20 WOODLANDS AND SAVANNAS, REFLECT MAXIMUM SIZES THAT MAY BE
21 REDUCED BY THE COUNTY IN ORDER TO MINIMIZE OFFSITE REMEDIAL
22 GRADING AND MANUFACTURED SLOPES. SEVEN, LIMIT THE MAXIMUM SIZE
23 OF A BUILDING SITE IN WATERSHEDS TO 10,000 SQUARE FEET. EIGHT,
24 IN LIGHT OF THE RELATIVELY UNDISTURBED RIPARIAN HABITAT, OAK
25 WOODLANDS AND NATIVE HABITAT IN THE DARK CANYON AREA,



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1 DESIGNATE THIS AREA AS A SIGNIFICANT WATERSHED. NINE, PROVIDE
2 INCREASED DISCRETION TO THE DIRECTOR FOR THE L.C.P.'S
3 INCENTIVE PROGRAM TO ENSURE THAT BENEFITS CONVEYED TO
4 APPLICANTS ARE COMMENSURATE WITH THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BEING
5 OFFERED. TEN, AMEND THE PROVISIONS RELATED TO REBUILDING,
6 MODIFYING OR MOVING STRUCTURES WITHIN E.S.H.A. TO CLEARLY
7 STATE THAT UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL THE INTENSITY AND
8 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF ANY GRANDFATHERED USES WITHIN
9 E.S.H.A. BE INCREASED AND MAKE OTHER RELATED CHANGES AS
10 RECOMMENDED BY THE COUNTY COUNSEL. 11, AS MANDATED BY STATE
11 LAW, CLEARLY STATE THAT ALL PROVISIONS OF THE SANTA MONICA
12 MOUNTAINS L.C.P. WILL COMPLY WITH THE SUBDIVISION MAP ACT. 12,
13 CLARIFY FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM
14 LIVESTOCK SHALL BE DEFINED AS AN AGRICULTURAL USE. 13, LIMIT
15 CROPS PLANTED AS AN ACCESSORY UNDER SECTION 22.40.830 TO FUEL
16 MODIFICATION ZONES A AND B ONLY. 14, ENACT A LAND USE PLAN
17 POLICY THAT STATES THAT WITH REGARD TO CHANNELIZATION OF
18 STREAMS, BIOENGINEERED ALTERNATIVES SHALL BE PREFERRED AND
19 MUST BE THE ALTERNATIVE OF FIRST RESORT OVER HARD SOLUTIONS
20 SUCH AS CONCRETE, OR RIP RAP CHANNELS. 15, ENACT A LAND USE
21 PLAN POLICY THAT STATES THAT EXISTING IN STREAM ROAD
22 CROSSINGS, SUCH AS ARIZONA CROSSINGS, SHALL BE PHASED OUT OR
23 UPGRADED WHEN SCHEDULED OR OTHER MAJOR MAINTENANCE OR REPAIRS
24 ARE UNDERTAKEN. 16, CLOSE THE LOOPHOLE IN EXISTING PLAN THAT
25 ALLOWS MULTIPLE ENLARGEMENTS OF STRUCTURE-- OF A STRUCTURE OF



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1 10 PERCENT OR GREATER TO BE EXEMPTED FROM REQUIRING A COASTAL
2 DEVELOPMENT PERMIT IN ALL SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL RESOURCE
3 AREAS. 17, STATE THAT ALL NEW DEVELOPMENT AND REDEVELOPMENT
4 PROJECTS SHALL INTEGRATE LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT PRINCIPLES
5 INTO PROJECT DESIGN AS DELINEATED BY THE COUNTY'S ADOPTED LOW
6 IMPACT DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS. 18, CREATE A POLICY THAT
7 ESTABLISHES INFORMATIONAL SIGNAGE FOR RECREATIONAL USERS ALONG
8 TRAILS, PARKING LOTS AND THE PERIPHERY OF AREAS DEVOTED TO
9 RECREATION, INDICATING THE PRESENCE OF AQUATIC INVASIVE
10 SPECIES AND PRACTICES TO PREVENT THEIR SPREAD. 19, INCORPORATE
11 HAZARD ANALYSIS AND CRITICAL CONTROL POINT PLANNING INTO THE
12 COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT REVIEW PROCESS. 20, CLARIFY THAT
13 BED AND BREAKFASTS REQUIRE A MAJOR COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT.
14 THAT'S A CHANGE FROM THE DRAFT. A MAJOR DEVELOPMENT COASTAL
15 DEVELOPMENT PERMIT WHICH MEANS IT COMES TO THE PLANNING
16 COMMISSION FIRST AND THEN APPEALABLE TO THE BOARD. NUMBER 21,
17 ADD A REQUIREMENT THAT PROOF OF WATER AVAILABILITY AND LEGAL
18 ACCESS SHALL BE REQUIRED PRIOR TO THE ISSUANCE OF ANY GRADING
19 PERMIT OR COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT. 22, ADD A LAND USE PLAN
20 POLICY THAT STATES THAT ALL NEW DEVELOPMENT SHALL BE REVIEWED
21 FOR POTENTIAL DEGRADATION OF WATER QUALITY. THE WATER QUALITY
22 OBJECTIVES SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH THOSE SET FOR THE LOS
23 ANGELES COUNTY M.S.-4 N.P.D.E.S. PERMIT. 23, IN ORDER TO
24 MINIMIZE ALTERATION OF A NATURAL LAND FORMS, REQUIRE THE USE
25 OF CONTOUR GRADING THROUGHOUT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS



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1 COASTAL ZONE. AND FINALLY, NUMBER 24, INCORPORATE CHANGES
2 RECOMMENDED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING STAFF. BURKE, YOU SECOND
3 IT? MR. ANTONOVICH SECONDS? DO YOU WANT TO ADD ANYTHING AT
4 THIS TIME, GINA?

5

6 **GINA NATOLI:** YES, SUPERVISOR. THANK YOU. I WANTED TO ADDRESS A
7 COUPLE OF THE CONCERNS THAT WERE MENTIONED BY MEMBERS OF THE
8 PUBLIC. FIRST ON THE SITING OF HORSE FACILITIES AND THE
9 SUPPOSED DIFFERENTIAL TREATMENT FROM CROPS, AND IT'S NOT. IT'S
10 EXACTLY THE SAME FOR CROPS AS IT IS FOR LIVESTOCK MANAGEMENT.
11 THEY'RE DIFFERENT SECTIONS OF THE C.S.B. BUT THEY ARE EXACTLY
12 THE SAME. IT'S 100 FEET FROM E.S.H.A. FOR CROPS FOR LIVESTOCK
13 MANAGEMENT FACILITIES AND IT'S 50 FEET FROM NONRIPARIAN
14 HABITAT. THEY'RE EXACTLY THE SAME. THERE WAS A REQUEST THAT
15 THE REVIEW PERIOD FOR L.C.P. SHALL BE SHORTENED FROM FIVE
16 YEARS TO THREE YEARS. THAT FIVE-YEAR REQUIREMENT IS ACTUALLY
17 WHAT'S IN THE COASTAL ACT. SO WE WOULD WANT TO COMPLY WITH THE
18 COASTAL ACT. THE COMMENT THAT THE L.C.P. WILL ALLOW
19 RESTAURANTS IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. RESTAURANTS ARE
20 ALLOWED NOW IN THE C-1 ZONE NOW, IN THE COMMERCIAL ZONES, AS
21 WELL AS HOTELS WOULD BE ALLOWED. HOTELS ARE ALLOWED NOW.
22 AIRPORTS ARE ALLOWED NOW. OIL WELLS ARE ALLOWED NOW. HOTELS
23 WILL NOT BE ALLOWED UNDER THE L.C.P. RURAL INNS, I REALLY
24 THINK A RURAL INN IS DIFFERENT FROM A HOTEL. IT'S NOT A 200-



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1 ROOM FACILITY. IT'S A MAXIMUM 40-ROOM FACILITY. SO I DON'T
2 THINK WE WOULD EQUATE THAT WITH A HOTEL.

3

4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** AND IT WOULD BE SUBJECT TO A COASTAL
5 DEVELOPMENT PERMIT AND A PUBLIC HEARING AND APPEALABLE.

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7 **GINA NATOLI:** ABSOLUTELY.

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9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

10

11 **GINA NATOLI:** THE MAJOR COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT AND FULL
12 ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW. SOME OF THE COMMENTS FROM SANTA MONICA
13 MOUNTAINS BAYKEEPER AND THE OTHER INDIVIDUALS ABOUT THE WATER
14 QUALITY ISSUES. WE'RE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT WATER QUALITY AND
15 WE'LL CERTAINLY BE LOOKING AT ADDING PROVISIONS THAT WE CAN ON
16 THOSE. THERE WAS A COMMENT MADE ABOUT RURAL INNS AND BACKYARD
17 BOARDING AND SEVERAL COMMENTS ABOUT SOME OF THESE USES NOT
18 BEING APPROPRIATE IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. THE BACKYARD
19 BOARDING OF HORSES, THE PRIVATE BOARDING OF HORSES, THE RURAL
20 INNS AND THE BED AND BREAKFAST FACILITIES. AND I WOULD REMIND
21 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE BOARD THAT ACCESS IS REQUIRED TO
22 COASTAL RESOURCES IN THE COASTAL ACT, AND VISITOR-SERVING
23 RECREATIONAL FACILITIES ARE PROMOTED UNDER THE COASTAL ACT. SO
24 WE ARE REQUIRED TO INCLUDE THOSE SORT OF PROVISIONS IN THE
25 COASTAL ACT. AND THESE FACILITIES, WE BELIEVE, DO THAT, WITH



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1 PROPER MANAGEMENT. WE HAVE CONTROLS AND REVIEW FOR THESE THAT
2 I THINK WILL ALLOW ACCESS TO COASTAL RESOURCES AS WELL AS
3 PRESERVING THE ENVIRONMENT AND PROTECTING THE NEIGHBORS, WHICH
4 IS A CONCERN OF OURS. THERE IS A COMMENT ABOUT THE BACKYARD
5 HORSE BOARDING THAT THERE SHOULD BE MORE STRINGENT PERMITTING
6 REQUIRED. WE WOULD REMIND YOU THAT WITH THE PRIVATE BOARDING
7 OF HORSES, THAT WOULD REQUIRE AN ADMINISTRATIVE C.D.P. THAT
8 ACTUALLY GOES TO A HEARING OFFICER. IT'S NOT THE PRINCIPAL
9 PERMITTED USE ON THE PROPERTY. SO IT WOULD REQUIRE A HEARING
10 BEFORE THE HEARING OFFICER, WHICH MEANS NOTICING TO NEIGHBORS
11 AND POSTING ON THE PROPERTY AND ALSO MEANS THAT THERE WILL BE
12 A PUBLIC HEARING WHERE PEOPLE CAN COMMENT. THE INDIVIDUAL FROM
13 SCHMITZ AND ASSOCIATES WHO HAD MENTIONED THE DENSITY CONTROL
14 DEVELOPMENT. WE ADDED THAT TO THE R.C. ZONE. IT'S IN THERE NOW
15 IN THE CURRENT PROPOSAL REVIEWED BY THE BOARD. IT WOULD
16 REQUIRE A MAJOR COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT. AND MR. HOFFMAN,
17 DID YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO ADD?

18

19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME ASK YOU. COULD YOU SUCCINCTLY
20 ADDRESS THE ENFORCEMENT ISSUE? WHAT ARE THE PENALTIES FOR
21 VIOLATION IN THIS PLAN THAT IS BEFORE US TODAY?

22

23 **GINA NATOLI:** SUPERVISOR, I DON'T REMEMBER THE NUMBERS OFF THE
24 TOP OF MY HEAD.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** DOES THE FIGURE OF \$15,000 A DAY RING A
2 BELL?

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4 **GINA NATOLI:** I'M SORRY, IT DOESN'T. AS MUCH AS I'VE TRIED TO
5 MEMORIZE 100--

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7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK THAT'S THE FIGURE. IT'S NOT A DE
8 MINIMUS AMOUNT OF MONEY TO ANYBODY, I DON'T THINK. AND SUBJECT
9 TO CRIMINAL PROSECUTION. AND WE ARE PROSECUTING SOME NOWADAYS.
10 ALL RIGHT. LAST QUESTION I WANTED TO ASK YOU AND THEN THEY'LL
11 TAKE A VOTE. EARLY IN THE TESTIMONY THERE WAS AN ISSUE OF--
12 AND WE TALKED ABOUT IT BRIEFLY-- THAT ROUGHLY 6 PERCENT, 6.3
13 PERCENT OF THE COASTAL ZONE, OUR COASTAL ZONE IS E.S.H.A. THAT
14 DOESN'T MEAN THAT 94% OF THE COASTAL ZONE IS GOING TO BE
15 RIPPED APART AND EVERY PIECE OF CHAPARRAL ON THE OTHER 94% IS
16 GOING TO DISAPPEAR, DOES IT?

17

18 **GINA NATOLI:** ABSOLUTELY NOT.

19

20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL OF THE DEVELOPMENT IN THE COASTAL
21 ZONE WILL BE LIMITED BY THE ZONING, BY THE 10,000-FOOT
22 LIMITATIONS OF THE DEVELOPMENT AREAS OR WHATEVER THE
23 LIMITATIONS ARE, THE DENSITY, SLOPE DENSITY, THE RIDGELINE
24 PROTECTIONS. SO THAT AS A PRACTICAL MATTER, WITH OR WITHOUT
25 DECLARING EVERY PIECE OF CHAPARRAL AS E.S.H.A., THE



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1 OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF CHAPARRAL IN OUR COASTAL ZONE, IN OUR
2 PORTION OF THE COASTAL ZONE, WILL BE PRESERVED, LIKE IT OR
3 NOT, CORRECT?

4

5 **GINA NATOLI:** I AGREE, YES.

6

7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SO I THINK WE NEED TO BE CLEAR ABOUT
8 THAT. GINA, THANK YOU. MR. ANTONOVICH.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST OF ALL, TWO CONCERNS. ONE, THERE WILL
11 NOT BE ANY IMPEDIMENTS TO HELP PEOPLE-- OR LET'S SAY TO
12 PREVENT PEOPLE, FROM HAVING BRUSH CLEARANCE ON THEIR PROPERTY?

13

14 **GINA NATOLI:** NO, SUPERVISOR. WE DON'T CONSIDER BRUSH CLEARANCE
15 AS DEVELOPMENT. AND DEVELOPMENT IS THE TRIGGER FOR REQUIRING A
16 COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE EQUESTRIANS, I APPRECIATE IT RELATIVE
19 TO THE AGRICULTURAL DEFINITION FOR HORSES BECAUSE MANY PEOPLE
20 WITHIN THE COMMUNITY FORGET THE CONTRIBUTIONS THAT THE
21 EQUESTRIAN COMMUNITY DOES PROVIDE. AND HAVING THEM RETAINING
22 THEIR RIGHTS IS IMPORTANT. SO WE APPRECIATE THAT INCLUSION AND
23 PROTECTION.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. ANTONOVICH. ANY OTHER
2 DISCUSSION? IF NOT, I MOVE. MISS BURKE SECONDED. IS THERE ANY
3 OBJECTION? IF NOT, UNANIMOUS VOTE. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH.
4 [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT, MISS BURKE, NEXT ITEM.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** I HAVE NOTHING FURTHER.

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8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. WE DO HAVE A SPECIAL ITEM AT
9 NOON. DO YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNING MOTIONS?

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11 **SUP. BURKE:** NO, I DIDN'T HAVE ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

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13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME JUST ADJOURN IN MEMORY TODAY OF--
14 I READ THE PAPER THIS MORNING. LEONARD VERNON PASSED AWAY.
15 LEONARD WAS A CONSTITUENT OF MINE BOTH AS A CITY COUNCILMAN
16 AND AS A SUPERVISOR. HE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN THE ROSCOMERE
17 CANYON AREA ABOVE BEL AIR, IN BEL AIR. HE DIED I BELIEVE AT
18 THE RIPE OLD AGE OF 89. QUITE AN OBITUARY TODAY IN THE L.A.
19 TIMES. GREAT COLLECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHS, HE AND HIS WIFE BOTH.
20 AND HE WAS A VERY PASSIONATE DEFENDER OF HIS COMMUNITY. AND WE
21 HAD A GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM IN OUR OFFICE. I WAS SORRY TO
22 HEAR ABOUT HIS PASSING. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE ON
23 THAT ADJOURNING MOTION. I DON'T THINK I HAD ANY OTHERS. THERE
24 ARE TWO MOTIONS I WANT TO READ IN. I'M NOT GOING TO READ THEM
25 ALL BECAUSE THEY'RE LONG. BUT MR. ANTONOVICH AND I ARE JOINTLY



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1 INTRODUCING A MOTION THAT THE C.A.O. DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS,
2 FIRE CHIEF, COUNTY COUNSEL, DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING
3 CONVENE APPROPRIATE STAFF INCLUDING DEPARTMENTAL
4 REPRESENTATIVES WHO FORMERLY SERVED ON THE COUNTY'S WILDFIRE
5 SAFETY PANEL TO, ONE, WORK WITH THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON
6 COMPANY TO INVESTIGATE THE CAUSE OF DOWNED POWER LINES AND/OR
7 POWER POLES THAT ARE SUSPECTED OF CAUSING THE MALIBU FIRE AND
8 TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITHIN 90 DAYS WITH
9 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MEASURES THAT CAN BE TAKEN TO STRENGTHEN
10 THOSE POWER LINES AND POLES THAT ARE MOST SUSCEPTIBLE TO
11 FAILURE DUE TO HIGH WINDS AND WHICH ARE LOCATED IN OUR VERY
12 HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES; AND TO IDENTIFY POSSIBLE
13 REMEDIES THAT WILL ALLOW THE COMBINATION OF DIFFERENT FUNDING
14 SOURCES TO ADVANCE THE UNDERGROUNDING OF UTILITY LINES IN HIGH
15 FIRE HAZARD AREAS. AND SECONDLY EXAMINE THE CAUSES OF
16 STRUCTURES LOST IN THIS YEAR'S FIRES TO DETERMINE THE
17 EFFECTIVENESS OF THE COUNTY'S WILDFIRE SAFETY REGULATIONS AND
18 REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD WITHIN 90 DAYS ON WHETHER ANY
19 IMPROVEMENTS SHOULD BE ADOPTED TO FURTHER ENHANCE OUR ABILITY
20 TO PREVENT AND WITHSTAND THE SPREAD OF WILD LAND FIRES. THIS
21 REALLY COMES OUT OF-- IT'S NOT OFFICIALLY CONFIRMED BUT IT IS
22 WIDELY SUSPECTED THAT AT LEAST IN THE CASE OF THE MALIBU FIRE,
23 IT STARTED BECAUSE OF POWER LINES IN MALIBU CANYON WERE BLOWN
24 DOWN AND SPARKED AND INITIATED THE FIRE. AND IF WE CAN'T
25 UNDERGROUND ALL THE POWER LINES, AND IT IS EXCEEDINGLY



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1 EXPENSIVE TO DO THAT, PERHAPS THERE ARE TARGETED AREAS WE CAN
2 DO THAT AND GIVE US MORE FLEXIBILITY TO FUND IT. WE NEED STATE
3 LEGISLATION FOR THAT. BUT BEYOND THAT, WHAT CAN WE DO IF WE
4 CAN'T UNDERGROUND THEM TO BETTER SECURE THOSE LINES? BECAUSE
5 THIS IS NOT THE FIRST TIME. IT'S NOT THE SECOND TIME. IT'S THE
6 UMPTEENTH TIME THAT FIRES HAVE STARTED AS A RESULT OF DOWNED
7 POWER LINES. IT'S A DIFFICULT ISSUE BUT I THINK WE NEED TO
8 LOOK AT IT. SO WE CAN GET A REPORT BACK IN 90 DAYS. WITHOUT
9 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. SECOND MOTION, THIS IS FOR NEXT
10 WEEK. I'LL DEAL WITH IT LATER. I DON'T HAVE THE COPY OF IT
11 HANDY. I DO NOW. THIS IS ALSO A REPORT BACK. THIS DEALS WITH
12 THE DOCUMENTARY TRANSFER TAGS AND OUR ABILITY TO COLLECT TAXES
13 THAT ARE DUE US BUT WE'RE UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES PEOPLE
14 ARE AVOIDING OR LEGALLY AVOIDING PAYING THEIR FAIR SHARE. SO I
15 MOVE-- THAT'S THE PREAMBLE IN A NUTSHELL-- I MOVE THAT THE
16 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO
17 CONVENE A WORKING GROUP, INCLUDING THE OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR,
18 REGISTRAR-RECORDER, COUNTY CLERK, THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER,
19 TREASURER TAX COLLECTOR AND COUNTY COUNSEL TO FURTHER RESEARCH
20 TRANSFER TAX ENFORCEMENT AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD WITHIN
21 45 DAYS ON THE FOLLOWING: RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVING THE
22 PROCESS TO ENFORCE TRANSFER TAX COLLECTIONS , INCLUDING BUT
23 NOT LIMITED TO RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COUNTY ORDINANCE AND STATE
24 LEGISLATIVE AMENDMENTS WHERE APPROPRIATE. AN ESTIMATE OF THE
25 AMOUNT OF OUTSTANDING TRANSFER TAX OWED TO THE COUNTY AND OF



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1 WHAT THE AMOUNT OF FUTURE TRANSFER TAX COLLECTIONS MIGHT BE.
2 AND FINALLY A RECOMMENDED TIMELINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION. UNDER
3 CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, PEOPLE ARE-- BUSINESS ENTITIES ARE
4 AVOIDING PAYING THE DOCUMENTARY TRANSFER TAX AND IT HAS AN
5 IMPACT ON THIS COUNTY. IT HAS AN EVEN BIGGER IMPACT ON SOME OF
6 OUR CITIES THAT HAVE A HIGHER RATE THAN THE COUNTY DOES. AND
7 WHEN PEOPLE ARE TALKING ABOUT RAISING TAXES ALL OVER THE
8 PLACE, THE FIRST THING WE OUGHT TO BE DOING IS COLLECTING THE
9 TAXES THAT ARE DUE US. AND THIS IS WHAT THIS IS INTENDED TO
10 IDENTIFY. SO NO OBJECTION, BURKE SECONDS. REPORT BACK ON THIS.
11 ALL RIGHT. LET'S TAKE UP THE BEILENSON HEARING NOW. DON, DID
12 YOU WANT TO DO YOUR ADJOURNING MOTIONS FIRST? WHY DON'T YOU DO
13 THAT?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I
16 MOVE THAT TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CARMEN RUELAS, WHO IS
17 A BELOVED SISTER OF CONNIE MARTINEZ, RETIRED C.E.O. AT RANCH
18 OF LOS AMIGOS NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTER. CARMEN PASSED
19 AWAY LAST WEEKFROM CANCER. WE SEND OUR SINCEREST CONDOLENCES
20 TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
21 ELBERT SPRAGG WHO PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER 18TH. HE WAS THE
22 FATHER OF BRIAN SPRAGG WHO WAS A RECREATIONAL SERVICE MANAGER
23 FOR THE SOUTHEAST AREA OF OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND
24 RECREATION. SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN KIM AND BRIAN, THREE
25 GRANDCHILDREN. BRIAN, BRITTNEE AND ANTHONY. TWO SISTERS,



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1 MAGNOLIA AND EMMA, AND A BROTHER MATTHEW. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN
2 IN MEMORY OF SHAUN DAY, A LOCAL FISHERMAN AND RESIDENT OF LONG
3 BEACH WHO DROWNED ON OCTOBER 23RD AFTER JUMPING INTO THE WATER
4 TO SAVE ANOTHER MAN. HE WAS JUST 36 YEARS OLD. HE STRUGGLED TO
5 HOLD UP MR. RABB IN THE WATER AFTER HE DOVE IN AFTER HIM, AND
6 TRIED TO PULL HIM TOWARDS THE SHORE BUT IN MINUTES, BOTH MEN
7 HAD GONE UNDER. SHAUN GREW UP IN COMPTON, WORKED AS A
8 CARPENTER CONTRACTOR BUT FISHING HIS WAS TRUE PASSION. HE IS
9 SURVIVED BY HIS SEVEN CHILDREN, HIS MOTHER, DOROTHY, SISTER
10 MICHELLE, BROTHER OBIE. HE WILL BE SORELY MISSED BY HIS FAMILY
11 AND FRIENDS.

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13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** UNANIMOUS VOTE. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOSIE CAIROLI,
16 PASSED AWAY FROM WEST COVINA AGED 55. SHE HAD BEEN A NURSE AT
17 ONE TIME AT ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL. SHE LEAVES HER HUSBAND,
18 OSCAR, AND HER TWO CHILDREN, OSCAR, JR. AND JONATHAN, WHICH
19 I'M THE GODFATHER OF. JON ROBERTS HINDS PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
20 OF 43. HE WAS ASSIGNED TO OUR OPERATION SAFE STREETS, DEPUTY
21 SHERIFF, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND RODERICK RYAN, WHO WAS A
22 TECHNICAL ENGINEER CONSULTANT WITH N.A.S.A, AND HAD RECEIVED
23 MANY AWARDS, FROM THE SCIENTIFIC ENGINEERING MEDAL FROM THE
24 ACADEMY OF MOTION PICTURES ARTS AND SCIENCES FOR SPECIAL
25 EFFECTS, AND HE WAS A GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN



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1 CALIFORNIA WITH HIS DOCTORATE AND BACHELOR'S. THAT'S ALL I
2 HAVE.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** UNANIMOUS VOTE. THANK YOU. OKAY. WHAT
5 NUMBER?

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM S-1.

8

9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** S-1. CAN WE HAVE THE STAFF ON THE
10 BEILENSEN HEARING ON KING-HARBOR? DR. CHERNOF, ARE YOU GOING
11 TO MAKE THE PRESENTATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT?

12

13 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** IF THAT'S OKAY, SUPERVISOR, YES, PLEASE.

14

15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S FINE.

16

17 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** CHAIR, SUPERVISORS, WE'RE HERE TODAY TO
18 HOLD THE BEILENSEN HEARING ON THE TEMPORARY ELIMINATION OF
19 INPATIENT AND EMERGENCY SERVICES AT M.L.K. HARBOR HOSPITAL. I
20 HAVE PROVIDED YOUR BOARD A MEMO ON FRIDAY THAT OUTLINES HOW WE
21 GOT TO THIS POINT AND I JUST WANT TO HIGHLIGHT A FEW KEY
22 FEATURES OF THAT DOCUMENT AND THEN MAKE SOME PERSONAL COMMENTS
23 ABOUT WHERE I SEE THE DEPARTMENT AT THIS POINT AND WHERE WE GO
24 TOGETHER. AS YOUR BOARD KNOWS, ON AUGUST 10TH, 2007, THE
25 FACILITY DID NOT PASS ITS FINAL C.M.S. SURVEY AND IT WAS MY



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1 DETERMINATION, BASED ON SIGNIFICANT POTENTIAL STAFFING
2 PROBLEMS IN THE IMMEDIATE AFTERMATH OF THAT FINDING, THAT
3 THERE WERE POTENTIAL SAFETY ISSUES FOR BOTH PATIENTS AND STAFF
4 AND IT WAS MY DETERMINATION THAT THE EMERGENCY ROOM AND THE
5 HOSPITAL SHOULD CLOSE AT THAT POINT. IT WAS A CLINICAL
6 FINDING. THE EMERGENCY ROOM CLOSED THAT EVENING AND THE
7 HOSPITAL CLOSED IN AN ORDERLY FASHION OVER THE NEXT 11 DAYS.
8 AND THE LICENSE WAS SUSPENDED TO ALLOW THE HOSPITAL THE BEST
9 CHANCE TO REOPEN IN THE FUTURE, WHETHER THAT BE AS A PUBLIC OR
10 A PRIVATE FACILITY. AS YOUR BOARD KNOWS, WE HAVE WORKED WITH
11 HAMAS AND COMPANY ON PLANS TO REOPEN THE HOSPITAL. THEY HAVE
12 IMPLEMENTED A REQUEST FOR SOLUTIONS PROCESS. AND WE RECEIVED
13 FOUR LETTERS OF INTENT, INTEREST. AND I HAVE SUBMITTED TO YOUR
14 BOARD EARLIER-- LATE YESTERDAY THE NAMES OF THE FOUR
15 CANDIDATES THAT CAME FORWARD AS PART OF THAT L.O.I. PROCESS.
16 AND WE EXPECT COMPLETE REQUEST FOR SOLUTIONS FROM THOSE
17 INDIVIDUALS VERY EARLY IN NOVEMBER. YOUR BOARD ALSO INSTRUCTED
18 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES TO DEVELOP A LETTER FOR ALL
19 FIVE OF YOUR SIGNATURES, WHICH WE DID TO THREE VERY LARGE,
20 WELL-RESPECTED HEALTHCARE DELIVERY SYSTEMS HERE IN SOUTHERN
21 CALIFORNIA, THE U.C. SYSTEM, THE DAUGHTERS OF CHARITY AND
22 CATHOLIC HEALTHCARE WEST. THEY HAVE ALSO RESPONDED THAT THEY
23 ARE WILLING TO BEGIN DISCUSSIONS. SO WE HAVE A TOTAL OF SEVEN
24 POTENTIAL CANDIDATES TO HELP US REOPEN THE HOSPITAL. ALSO, AT
25 YOUR BOARD'S DIRECTION, WE HAVE BEGUN A PROCESS TO DEVELOP A



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1 PLAN TO REOPEN THE FACILITY IF NECESSARY AS A COUNTY HOSPITAL.
2 THROUGH YOUR BOARD'S ACTIONS, BASED ON DEPARTMENT
3 RECOMMENDATIONS, MITIGATION EFFORTS HAVE BEEN PUT INTO PLACE
4 THAT IN THE SHORT TERM LOOK TO ADDRESS THE INPATIENT NEEDS AND
5 THE EMERGENCY NEEDS AFTER THE LICENSE WAS VOLUNTARILY PUT INTO
6 SUSPENSE. THE COMPONENTS OF THAT CONTINGENCY PLAN INCLUDE THE
7 FOLLOWING: ALL OUTPATIENT PRIMARY, SPECIALTY AND SUBSPECIALTY
8 CLINICS CONTINUE TO OPERATE THROUGH A MULTISERVICE AMBULATORY
9 CARE CENTER. AN URGENT CARE CENTER WAS IMPLEMENTED WITH 16
10 HOURS OF OPERATION 7 DAYS A WEEK. IT HAD BEEN PROVIDING 12,000
11 OF THE TOTAL 47,000 VISITS PRIOR TO THE CLOSURE. WE HAD
12 ESTIMATED IN THE CONTINGENCY PLAN THAT IT WOULD SEE UPWARDS OF
13 20,000 VISITS. AND OUR ACTUAL UTILIZATION PATTERNS ARE AT
14 25,000 VISITS ANNUALLY. AND WE EXPECT THAT WE COULD GROW
15 BEYOND THAT. ON SITE AMBULANCE SERVICES WERE CONTINUED AS PART
16 OF THE URGENT CARE CENTER SUPPORT TO PROVIDE EMERGENT
17 TRANSFERS TO ACUTE CARE HOSPITALS AS NEEDED. FOR THE NINE
18 DESIGNATED PRIVATE HOSPITALS, CONTRACTS WERE PUT IN PLACE-- OR
19 CONTRACTS WERE OFFERED TO PAY FOR ALL UNINSURED PATIENTS
20 BROUGHT BY 911 AMBULANCES FROM IDENTIFIED ZIP CODES SERVED
21 PREVIOUSLY BY M.L.K. THE HOSPITALS ARE BEING REIMBURSED AT
22 1950 A DAY FOR UP TO SIX DAYS FOR PATIENTS WHO ARE ADMITTED
23 AND \$250 A DAY FOR PATIENTS WHO ARE TREATED AND RELEASED. TO
24 DATE, SEVEN OF THE NINE HOSPITALS HAVE SIGNED. DOCTORS PAID
25 THROUGH THE COUNTY E.M.S. PHYSICIAN INDIGENT REIMBURSEMENT



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1 PROGRAM ARE BEING PAID AT MEDICARE RATES. SEVEN OF THE NINE
2 IMPACTED-- I'M SORRY. AND AS I'VE ALREADY MENTIONED, SEVEN OF
3 THE NINE ALREADY IMPACTED HOSPITALS HAVE SIGNED. THE E.M.S.
4 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AGENCY CONTINUES TO COORDINATE WITH
5 LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND E.M.S. PROVIDERS. AS YOUR BOARD
6 KNOWS, WE REDREW PARAMEDIC BOUNDARIES TO REDISTRIBUTE
7 AMBULANCE TRAFFIC. M.L.K. WAS RECEIVING APPROXIMATELY 25 TO 30
8 AMBULANCE RUNS A DAY TO THE FACILITY. E.M.S. HAS CLOSELY
9 TRACKED THE IMPACT ON LOCAL HOSPITALS AND MADE ADJUSTMENTS
10 WHERE NECESSARY TO TRY TO BALANCE THE SYSTEM WHERE POSSIBLE.
11 AS I HAVE SHARED WITH YOUR BOARD, THERE HAS BEEN A SUSTAINED
12 INCREASE IN E.M.S. TRAFFIC AND HOSPITAL BED UTILIZATION AT THE
13 NINE IMPACTED HOSPITALS. AND THE E.M.S. AGENCIES HAVE REPORTED
14 INCREASED WAITING TIME AT HOSPITALS WHEN THEY DELIVER PATIENTS
15 AND HAVE ANECDOTALLY REPORTED INCREASING TRANSPORT TIMES TO
16 HOSPITALS. WE WILL BE COMING FORWARD WITH INFORMATION TO YOUR
17 BOARD NOW THAT THEY ARE DONE FIGHTING THE FIRES THAT WILL
18 PROVIDE MORE DETAIL THERE AND SOME PROPOSED SUGGESTIONS TO
19 CONTINUE TO MITIGATE THAT IMPACT. IT'S IMPORTANT TO REALIZE
20 THAT THE HOSPITAL HAD 153-BED CAPACITY IN SEPTEMBER 2006. AND
21 THOSE BEDS HAVE BEEN REARRAYED TO THE BEST DEGREE POSSIBLE
22 BETWEEN HARBOR U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER, RANCHO LOS AMIGOS
23 MEDICAL CENTER. UP TO 17 BEDS ARE AVAILABLE UNDER THE PREVIOUS
24 METRO CARE CONTRACTS AND A NUMBER OF THE BEDS HAVE BEEN
25 PREVIOUSLY MOVED AS PART OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE METRO



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1 CARE PLAN, THE MOVEMENT OF PEDIATRIC, N.I.C.U. AND P.I.C.U.
2 BEDS. TO BEST APPROXIMATE THAT TOTAL OF 153 BEDS. THE MAJORITY
3 OF THE HARBOR BEDS, I SHOULD SAY, ARE OPEN. THERE ARE FIVE
4 BEDS THAT WILL OPEN, THAT ARE SCHEDULED TO OPEN ON NOVEMBER
5 1ST, WHICH WILL GET THEM TO THEIR TOTAL OF 20. OF THE 52 BEDS
6 AT RANCHO LOS AMIGOS, ALL OF THOSE BEDS ARE AVAILABLE, 22 OF
7 THOSE BEDS ARE CURRENTLY STAFFED AND THEY'RE SOMEWHAT
8 UNDERUTILIZED. ADDITIONAL BEDS WILL BE OPENED BASED ON DEMAND
9 AND STAFF RECRUITMENT. THE PSYCHIATRY BEDS AT AUGUSTUS HAWKINS
10 WERE TRANSFERRED TO THE L.A.C./U.S.C. LICENSE AND/OR OPERATOR
11 UNDER THEIR MANAGEMENT. THAT MEANS THERE'S A TOTAL OF 71
12 INPATIENT BEDS THAT ARE AVAILABLE. AS YOUR BOARD KNOWS, THE
13 COUNTY LAUNCHED A BILINGUAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN TO EDUCATE SOUTH
14 LOS ANGELES RESIDENTS ABOUT THESE CHANGES. THE BUDGETARY
15 IMPACT, AS YOUR BOARD KNOWS, REVEALS THAT THERE'S NO NET
16 SAVINGS ASSUMED FOR THE DEPARTMENT BECAUSE D.H.S. SOUGHT TO
17 CONTINUE PROVISION OF THE SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY THROUGH A
18 COMBINATION OF OPENING ADDITIONAL BEDS AT D.H.S. HOSPITALS OR
19 AT EXISTING METRO CARE OR PRIVATE HOSPITAL CONTRACTS. THE
20 2007/2008 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET RESOLUTION REALIGNS FUNDING
21 WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT TO ACCOUNT FOR THE ELIMINATION OF THESE
22 SERVICES AT M.L.K. HARBOR AND TRANSFER OF SERVICES AMONG OTHER
23 FACILITIES. AS YOUR BOARD ALSO KNOWS, THE GOVERNOR SIGNED
24 S.B.-474 WHICH WILL PROVIDE UP TO \$100 MILLION ANNUALLY TO
25 SOUTH LOS ANGELES SERVICES PRESERVATION FUND. THESE FUNDS WILL



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1 BE USED TO OFFSET THE FUNDS OF THE M.L.K. MAC, WHICH
2 ESSENTIALLY HAS A GREAT LOSS IN FUNDING SINCE 75 PERCENT OR SO
3 OF THE PATIENTS WHO ARE SEEN THERE DO NOT HAVE A REVENUE
4 STREAM ANY LONGER, GIVEN HOW OUR FUNDING IS CONSTRUCTED. IT
5 ALSO BE USED TO ADDRESS NEEDS THAT IMPACT THE PRIVATE
6 HOSPITALS, OTHER COUNTY HOSPITALS AND AS WELL AS TO ADDRESS
7 OTHER COMMUNITY SERVICES. THE FUNDS IN S.B.-474 ARE AVAILABLE
8 FOR UP TO THREE YEARS OR UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE M.L.K. MAC IS
9 CONVERTED BACK TO A HOSPITAL. WE WILL BE COMING FORWARD TO
10 YOUR BOARD AT YOUR REQUEST WITH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON
11 S.B.-474. I WANT TO SPEAK A MOMENT ABOUT THE VISION FOR THE
12 FUTURE. BECAUSE IN THE NEAR TERM, WE'VE ESTABLISHED THE MAC,
13 WHICH IS ORIENTED TOWARD MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY
14 AND COMMUNITY PROVIDERS, BUT WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO
15 THERE. M.L.K. HOSPITAL WAS PROVIDING APPROXIMATELY 167,000
16 OUTPATIENT VISITS IN 2006. THE NUMBER HAS DECREASED SINCE THE
17 CHANGES THAT OCCURRED IN METRO CARE, PREDOMINANTLY I THINK
18 BECAUSE OF THE CHANGE IN THE NUMBER OF HOSPITAL BEDS, AND THE
19 HOSPITAL BEDS BEING THE MAJOR SOURCE IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM,
20 THE MAJOR SOURCES FOR FILLING THOSE SPECIALTY CLINICS. WE HAVE
21 LEFT THE 190,000 VISIT TOTAL, WHICH IS WHAT WAS IN YOUR
22 BOARD'S PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BUDGET FOR M.L.K., AND WE BELIEVE
23 THAT THAT IS AN APPROPRIATE NUMBER FOR THE MAC AND LEAVES
24 PLENTY OF ROOM FOR GROWTH AT THE URGENT CARE AS WELL AS
25 SPECIALTY CLINICS FOR THE TIME BEING. CLEARLY IF THERE ARE



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1 ADDITIONAL NEEDS, I WILL BE BACK IN FRONT OF YOUR BOARD WITH
2 RECOMMENDATIONS. THE DEPARTMENT HAS UNDERTAKEN A COMPREHENSIVE
3 ANALYSIS, AND WE THINK THAT THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES TO
4 RESTRUCTURE AND IMPROVE EFFICIENCY AT THE M.L.K. MAC. AND AS
5 YOUR BOARD HAS INSTRUCTED MY DEPARTMENT, WE ARE WORKING HARD
6 TO FIND A WAY TO REOPEN THE HOSPITAL WITHIN A YEAR, IF
7 POSSIBLE. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO SAY THAT THE CHALLENGES
8 FACED BY SOUTH LOS ANGELES AND THE HEALTHCARE DELIVERY SYSTEM
9 IN AND AROUND SOUTH LOS ANGELES ARE MULTIFACTORIAL. OVER THE
10 PAST SEVERAL YEARS, THERE HAS BEEN A SIGNIFICANT EROSION IN
11 INPATIENT BEDS AND MORE IMPORTANTLY EMERGENCY ROOMS AS A
12 RESULT OF THE CLOSURE OF SEVERAL PRIVATE HOSPITALS. THESE
13 CLOSURES AND THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF M.L.K. HOSPITAL HAVE PUT
14 SIGNIFICANT STRAIN ON ALL HOSPITALS BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE AS
15 WELL AS THE E.M.S. PROVIDERS. STATE REIMBURSEMENT FOR MEDICAL
16 SERVICES IS A SIGNIFICANT ISSUE FOR MANY OF THESE PRIVATE
17 HOSPITALS. AND THESE NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED, AS WELL. AND MY
18 DEPARTMENT HAS WORKED WITH H.A.S.C. TO TESTIFY IN FRONT OF
19 C.M.A.C. TO TRY TO MAKE THESE POINTS CLEAR. WHILE SOME HEALTH
20 INDICATORS HAVE IMPROVED IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES OVER THE PAST 20
21 YEARS, MANY HAVE NOT. A FUNDAMENTAL REALITY, HOWEVER, IS THAT
22 HOSPITALS PRIMARILY SERVE, IN MY MIND AS A PHYSICIAN, THEY
23 PRIMARILY SERVE AS A FIRST RECEIVER OF PATIENTS. WE'RE OFTEN
24 NOT THE FIRST RESPONDERS FOR THE MEDICAL PROBLEMS THAT WE SEE.
25 SO, FOR EXAMPLE, IF YOU TAKE AN OVERWEIGHT TEENAGER WHO



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1 PRESENTS TO THE URGENT CARE OR TO A PRIVATE HOSPITAL EMERGENCY
2 ROOM WITH OUT OF CONTROL DIABETES, THERE HAVE BEEN MANY, MANY
3 PREVENTION OPPORTUNITIES THAT HAVE BEEN MISSED PRIOR TO THAT
4 PRESENTATION. SO WHERE WAS PHYSICAL EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS, FOR
5 EXAMPLE, FOR THAT CHILD? WAS THERE ENOUGH? WHAT'S THE ROLE
6 THERE? WERE THERE APPROPRIATE AND SAFE AFTER SCHOOL PHYSICAL
7 ACTIVE ACTIVITIES? WHERE WAS FAMILY EDUCATION AND
8 INTERVENTIONS FOR HEALTHY EATING ALONG THE WAY IN THAT CHILD
9 OR YOUNG ADULT'S LIFE? AND THIS IS BUT ONE EXAMPLE OF THE MANY
10 OPPORTUNITIES TO INTERVENE IN HEALTHCARE BEFORE SOMEBODY GETS
11 TO A HOSPITAL. WHILE WE FOCUS ON THE IMPORTANT WORK OF
12 REOPENING THIS HOSPITAL AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE, WE MUST ALSO
13 USE THIS AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO REIMAGINE HEALTHCARE DELIVERY IN
14 A BROADER CONTEXT. ONE THAT GOES BEYOND THE WALLS OF THE
15 HOSPITAL. ONE THAT FOCUSES ON THE BROADER LINK BETWEEN HEALTH
16 AND SOCIAL SERVICES. ONE THAT GOES BEYOND TREATMENT BUT
17 FOCUSES ON PREVENTION AND BUILDING COMMUNITY CAPACITY. ONE
18 THAT IS FOCUSED ON THE CURRENT AND FUTURE NEEDS OF THE
19 COMMUNITY. ONE THAT FOCUSES ON ALL PROVIDERS, BOTH PUBLIC AND
20 PRIVATE AND WORKS TOGETHER IN HEALTH AND ALL OF HUMAN SERVICES
21 TO PROVIDE A MORE COMPREHENSIVE AND INTEGRATED APPROACH. I
22 WOULD IMAGINE THAT EVERY SPEAKER HERE TODAY WILL JOIN ME IN
23 SAYING THAT WE NEED TO REOPEN THE HOSPITAL AS QUICKLY AS
24 POSSIBLE. WE NEED TO REOPEN THE HOSPITAL SO THAT IT HAS A
25 SOUND CLINICAL FOUNDATION AND WILL MEET NATIONAL STANDARDS.



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1 THAT IS WHAT THE RESIDENTS OF SOUTH LOS ANGELES DESERVE. AND
2 IT'S WHAT THEY EXPECT. THANK YOU.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. ANY COMMENTS FROM THE COUNTY
5 COUNSEL AT ALL? C.A.O.? OKAY.

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7 **SUP. BURKE:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

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9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MISS BURKE?

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11 **SUP. BURKE:** I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A STATEMENT BEFORE WE START.

12

13 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ABSOLUTELY.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** WE'RE HERE TO CARRY OUT OUR STATUTORY
16 RESPONSIBILITY. THAT'S THE REASON WE'RE HAVING THESE HEARINGS.
17 AND THIS WAS NECESSARY AFTER WE SAW THE ELIMINATION OF THE
18 EMERGENCY ROOM AND INPATIENT SERVICES AT KING HOSPITAL. I WANT
19 TO MAKE IT VERY CLEAR THAT I'M TOTALLY COMMITTED TO REOPENING
20 THIS HOSPITAL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AS A FULL SERVICE HOSPITAL.
21 AND ALTHOUGH URGENT CARE IS PROCEEDING AND IT'S BEEN
22 SUCCESSFUL IN TERMS OF SERVING THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE, AND MORE
23 PEOPLE ARE COMING TO URGENT CARE NOW THAN THEY WERE PRIOR TO
24 THE TIME THAT THE HOSPITAL ELIMINATED EMERGENCY ROOM. OUR
25 OUTPATIENT CLINICS EXPECT TO HAVE PROBABLY 190,000 VISITS IN



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1 THE NEXT YEAR AT KING. BUT I WILL WORK WITH THE COUNTY
2 EXECUTIVE OFFICE AND THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES TO
3 EVALUATE THE PROPOSALS OF INTEREST IN HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS.
4 AND THIS HAS TO BE DONE WITHIN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS. WE SHOULD
5 TRY TO IDENTIFY A PROVIDER AND MANAGER FOR THE HOSPITAL. BUT
6 IT'S ALSO VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE NOT DELAY TOO MUCH AND THAT
7 WE DON'T HAVE PROTRACTED NEGOTIATIONS WITH SOME OF THOSE
8 PEOPLE WHO COME FORWARD. IF THEY HAVE SOMETHING THAT WILL
9 PROVIDE GOOD CARE AND A HIGH QUALITY OF CARE, WE SHOULD LOOK
10 AT THEM. BUT WE SHOULD NOT ALLOW THIS TO GO ON FOR A LONG
11 PERIOD OF TIME. WE'VE SEEN WHAT HAPPENS. WE'VE LOOKED AT
12 RANCHO. WE KNOW THAT FOR YEARS WE NEGOTIATED WITH PEOPLE WHO
13 SAID, "WE'RE INTERESTED." WE NEED TO HAVE A TIMETABLE. AND IF
14 THOSE PEOPLE WHO SAY THEY'RE INTERESTED DO NOT COME UP WITH
15 SOMETHING THAT IS ACCEPTABLE IN TERMS OF SERVICE AS WELL AS
16 COST, WE NEED TO MOVE FORWARD WITH WHAT WE HAVE ANTICIPATED,
17 WHICH IS FOR THE COUNTY TO MOVE AND TO BEGIN A NEW COUNTY
18 HOSPITAL AT THAT FACILITY. I FEEL IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT
19 THIS TAKE PLACE IN A VERY TIMELY MANNER. A YEAR IS MORE THAN
20 ENOUGH TIME TO EVALUATE THE PROCEDURES THAT HAVE COME FORWARD,
21 THE PROPOSALS, AND FOR US TO MAKE A DECISION. THE PEOPLE OF
22 THAT COMMUNITY REQUIRE THE SERVICE, NEED THE SERVICE, AND WE
23 MUST MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE A HOSPITAL, A FULL SERVICE
24 HOSPITAL. AND OF COURSE TO MOVE FORWARD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO
25 HAVE A TRAUMA CENTER AND ALL OF THOSE THINGS THAT ARE SO



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1 URGENTLY NEEDED. AT PRESENT, THE HOSPITALS IN THE AREA ARE
2 IMPACTED. EMERGENCY ROOMS ARE OVERCROWDED. THE TIME FOR
3 EMERGENCY VISITS IS NOW UP TO OVER 12 HOURS. SO WE KNOW WE
4 HAVE TO DO SOMETHING AND WE HAVE TO MOVE FAST. SO WHILE WE
5 LISTEN TO THE TESTIMONY TODAY, AND I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT
6 WE'LL HAVE SOME VERY MEANINGFUL TESTIMONY THAT WILL DESCRIBE
7 THE NEEDS AND NEW IDEAS, I HOPE, THAT PEOPLE COME FORWARD WITH
8 OF HOW WE SHOULD PROCEED AND HOW WE CAN MAKE SURE THAT THE
9 HEALTHCARE NEEDS OF THIS COMMUNITY IS MET.

10

11 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MISS BURKE. ANYBODY ELSE WANT
12 TO BE HEARD AT THIS TIME BEFORE WE GO TO PUBLIC HEARING? IF
13 NOT, THE TIME LIMIT IS TWO MINUTES PER SPEAKER. I ASK THAT
14 EVERYBODY TRY TO KEEP TO THAT LIMIT. LET ME CALL THE FIRST
15 FOUR PEOPLE HERE. DR. ROBERT ROSS? JOSH RUTKOFF, JAMES KYLE
16 AND GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.

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18 **SUP. BURKE:** MAY I SAY WE REALLY APPRECIATE THE HELP OF DR.
19 ROSS STARTING BACK THREE OR FOUR YEARS AGO WITH DREW AND WITH
20 THE HOSPITAL. WE'RE VERY APPRECIATIVE OF HIS PARTICIPATION.

21

22 **DR. ROBERT ROSS:** THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY AND ALL THE
23 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. DR. BOB ROSS, PRESIDENT,
24 C.E.O. OF THE CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT. I'M HERE TO ENTER INTO THE
25 RECORD FOR THE SUPERVISORS THE RELEASE OF A REPORT AND



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1 CERTAINLY I THINK THE FIRST THING THAT THE RESIDENTS IN SOUTH
2 LOS ANGELES WOULD SAY IS, "OH MY GOD, NOT ANOTHER REPORT." BUT
3 WE FELT THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT, GIVEN ALL OF THE POLITICAL HEAT
4 AND LIGHT AND ATTENTION AND YELLING AND SCREAMING AND AGONY
5 THAT'S BEEN EXPRESSED AROUND THE CLOSURE OF THIS INSTITUTION,
6 WHAT DOES THE DATA SAY ABOUT THE HEALTH NEEDS OF THAT
7 COMMUNITY? AND WE'LL BE RELEASING THIS REPORT FOR EACH OF YOU
8 TODAY CALLED "CRITICAL CONDITION," EXAMINING THE SCOPE OF
9 MEDICAL SERVICES IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. IT IS A SNAPSHOT IN
10 TIME LOOK AT THE VARIOUS ELEMENTS OF MEDICAL SERVICES AND
11 CAPACITY IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES FROM INPATIENT HOSPITAL SERVICES
12 TO EMERGENCY ROOM AND TRAUMA TO AMBULATORY CARE AND SPECIALTY
13 CARE AND EVEN PREVENTION SERVICES. AND BOTTOM LINE, I DON'T
14 THINK THERE'S ANYTHING IN THE REPORT THAT YOU DON'T KNOW AS A
15 BODY. YOU'VE HEARD IT ALL FROM DR. CHERNOF AND OTHERS. THIS IS
16 A COMMUNITY IN CRITICAL NEED. THE DATA DOES SUBSTANTIATE THAT
17 AND AFFIRMED THAT. I WILL SHOW YOU JUST ONE SNAPSHOT FROM-- IT
18 IS A LENGTHY REPORT, BUT THIS IS JUST ONE SNAPSHOT OF THAT
19 REPORT. I'LL PASS THIS AROUND. THIS LOOKS AT HOSPITAL BEDS PER
20 1,000 POPULATION FOR SOUTH LOS ANGELES COMPARED TO THE REST OF
21 LOS ANGELES BUT ALSO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. AND HERE
22 YOU SEE SPA 6, WHICH IS THE REGION SURROUNDING MARTIN LUTHER
23 KING MEDICAL CENTER. THEN AT .9 BEDS-- AND THIS WAS ACTUALLY
24 BEFORE THE CLOSURE OF WHAT WAS THEN KING HARBOR-- COMPARED TO
25 WEST LOS ANGELES AT 4 BEDS PER 1,000. THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA



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1 AT 2 BEDS PER 1,000. AND THE NATIONAL FIGURES, WHICH ARE 2.8
2 BEDS PER 1,000. THE DATA ALSO TELL US THAT THE HEALTH STATUS
3 IS AMONG THE WORSE OF ANY COMMUNITY IN THE COUNTRY. SO YOU'VE
4 GOT A PLACE IN THE UNITED STATES THAT HAS NOT ONLY AMONG THE
5 WORST HEALTH STATUS STATISTICS BUT THE WORST HEALTH CAPACITY
6 STATISTICS TO DEAL WITH THAT HEALTH STATUS. SO I'M HAPPY TO
7 ENTER THIS INTO THE RECORD AND PASS IT AROUND FOR THE
8 SUPERVISORS. SO THAT REPORT WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO YOU
9 TODAY. BUT FROM A SOLUTIONS STANDPOINT, I'M GOING TO TAKE YOU
10 UP ON YOUR RECOMMENDATION. I THINK THE COUNTY'S EFFORTS TO TRY
11 AND FIND AN OPERATOR HAVE BEEN GREAT. KEEP PUSHING FORWARD.
12 BUT I WILL REMIND YOU, ALL OF US, EVEN IF YOU TOOK THE MAYO
13 CLINIC HOSPITAL IN OHIO, WHICH IS AMONG THE BEST HOSPITALS IN
14 THE UNITED STATES, AND YOU TRANSPLANTED THAT FACILITY INTO
15 SOUTH LOS ANGELES, THAT INSTITUTION WOULD BE OVERWHELMED WITH
16 THE CHALLENGES THAT SOUTH LOS ANGELES PLACES. POVERTY AND FOOD
17 ISSUES AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND VIOLENCE. SO IT'S NOT JUST
18 FINDING A HOSPITAL OPERATOR. AND THE SUGGESTION I WOULD MAKE,
19 SUPERVISOR, IS THAT FINDING THE HOSPITAL OPERATOR, LET THAT BE
20 THE CATALYTIC MOMENT TO PUT TOGETHER A MEANINGFUL PUBLIC
21 SECTOR/PRIVATE SECTOR PARTNERSHIP EFFORT THAT RESPONDS TO THE
22 COMPREHENSIVE ARRAY OF HEALTH CHALLENGES AND HEALTH NEEDS OF
23 THAT REGION. WHAT IS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILLING TO DO?
24 WHAT IS THE STATE AND THE GOVERNOR WILLING TO DO? WHAT IS THE
25 PRIVATE SECTOR AND OTHER PRIVATE SECTOR HOSPITAL INSTITUTIONS



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1 WILLING TO DO? WHAT ARE FOUNDATIONS AND OTHER FUNDERS WILLING
2 TO DO? SO THE COUNTY IS NOT STANDING THERE WITH A SINGLE
3 HOSPITAL OPERATOR TRYING TO TAKE ON THE IMMENSE CHALLENGES OF
4 SOUTH LOS ANGELES. SO LET THIS BE THAT OPPORTUNITY. AND WE'RE
5 WILLING TO HELP YOU WORK WITH DR. CHERNOF, WORK WITH BILL
6 FUJIOKA IN ANY WAYS THAT WE CAN BRING THINGS TOGETHER AND TALK
7 ABOUT A STRATEGY WITH NO LESS OF ACCOUNTABILITY AND MEANINGFUL
8 COMMITMENTS AND A LONG TERM PARTNERSHIP TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS
9 OF THAT COMMUNITY. THANK YOU FOR HAVING US HERE TODAY, AND WE
10 STAND READY TO SUPPORT YOU AND WORK WITH YOU.

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12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** IF I CAN JUST ASK, HAVING NOT HAD A
13 CHANCE TO LOOK AT THE REPORT YET, BUT LOOK WE WILL. ONE OF THE
14 THINGS THAT HAS BEEN COMING OUT ABOUT THE QUALITY OF
15 HEALTHCARE IN SPA 6 AND ITS ENVIRONS IS NOT JUST ON THE
16 HOSPITAL SIDE OF THINGS BUT ON THE PRIMARY CARE SIDE. JUST THE
17 WHOLE A TO Z. IS THAT SOMETHING THAT YOU FOUND? CAN YOU
18 SUMMARIZE YOUR FINDINGS HERE?

19

20 **DR. ROBERT ROSS:** YES, IT IS. SUPERVISOR. IT IS COVERED IN THIS
21 REPORT. THE DATA ON HOSPITAL INPATIENT NEEDS AND EMERGENCY
22 ROOM AND TRAUMA SYSTEM NEEDS, I WILL ADMIT, ARE MORE PRECISE
23 THAN THE DATA ON THE AMBULATORY AND THE PRIMARY CARE SIDE. BUT
24 THERE IS SOME ATTENTION PAID TO THAT, AS WELL AS A SPECIALTY
25 CARE SIDE, SUPERVISOR. AND I'M SURE, I KNOW GLORIA RODRIGUEZ



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1 IS HERE FROM THE COMMUNITY CLINICS. I'M SURE THEY'VE GOT SOME
2 DATA, AS WELL. BUT THE NEEDS REALLY ARE IMMENSE AND
3 SIGNIFICANT. IT'S GOING TO TAKE A BROADER PARTNERSHIP THAN
4 JUST THE COUNTY AND SOME _____ TO RUN THAT HOSPITAL TO REALLY
5 GET TO THE BOTTOM OF WHAT'S GOING ON IN THAT COMMUNITY AND WE
6 STAND READY TO HELP YOU.

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8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT, BOB, WE APPRECIATE YOUR OFFER
9 TO HELP. AND YOU'VE BEEN HELPFUL ALREADY. AND WE LOOK FORWARD
10 TO TRYING TO PARTNER WITH YOU AS THINGS MOVE ALONG. AND THEY
11 WILL MOVE ALONG.

12

13 **DR. ROBERT ROSS:** THANK YOU.

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15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. ANYBODY ELSE HAVE QUESTIONS
16 OF DR. ROSS? IF NOT, THANK YOU. JOSH RUTKOFF.

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18 **JOSH RUTKOFF:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR. MY NAME IS JOSHUA
19 RUTKOFF, HEALTH SERVICES DIRECTOR FOR S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721. WE
20 ARE HERE TO LOOK FORWARD NOT BACKWARDS, TO LOOK FORWARD TO
21 REBUILDING HOSPITAL SERVICES IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES THAT MEET
22 COMMUNITY NEED. WE ARE NOT HERE TO DEBATE THE CURRENT CLOSURE
23 OF THE HOSPITAL, BUT NEITHER SHOULD BE THERE ANY QUESTION
24 ABOUT THE OVERWHELMING NEED AND MANDATE TO REOPEN THE
25 HOSPITAL, NOR OF THE UNION'S COMMITMENT TO WORK WITH ALL



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1 LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT, STARTING WITH THIS BOARD, THE
2 DEPARTMENTS AND THE COMMUNITY, TO ACHIEVE THIS CRUCIAL GOAL.
3 AS AN IMMEDIATE NEXT STEP, S.E.I.U., LOCAL 721 IS COMMITTED TO
4 WORKING WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO ESTABLISH AND EXPAND THE M.L.K.
5 MAC AS A THRIVING SITE FOR THE HIGHEST QUALITY OUTPATIENT,
6 PRIMARY, SPECIALTY, SUBSPECIALTY AND URGENT CARE SERVICES.
7 OVER THE NEXT YEAR, WE MUST WORK TOGETHER TO REOPEN THE
8 HOSPITAL. WE SUPPORT THE DUE DILIGENCE OF THE DEPARTMENT AND
9 YOUR BOARD TOWARDS SEEKING A PARTNER WHO CAN HELP REOPEN AND
10 OPERATE THE HOSPITAL. AS PART OF THIS PROCESS, OUR FOCUS
11 SHOULD BE ON HOW TO BUILD SERVICES THAT TRULY MEET COMMUNITY
12 NEED. EVEN AS WE STRUGGLED TO PRESERVE HOSPITAL SERVICES AT
13 KING OVER THE LAST YEARS, S.E.I.U. MAINTAINED THAT THE STATUS
14 QUO WAS NOT ACCEPTABLE. IT IS TRUE TODAY AS IT WAS THEN. WE'VE
15 WORKED HARD TO HELP ADDRESS AND RESOLVE ANY ISSUES RELATED TO
16 H.R. PROCESSES BASED ON THE HOSPITAL'S CLOSURE. LET US NOW
17 TURN OUR ATTENTION TO OPPORTUNITIES AFFORDED BY THE CREATION
18 OF THE SOUTH L.A. MEDICAL SERVICE PRESERVATION FUND AND THE
19 POSSIBILITY OF ACHIEVING HEALTHCARE REFORM AS PART OF A
20 STRATEGY TO REIMAGINE AND BUILD THE NEW SYSTEM FOR THE
21 DELIVERY OF QUALITY HEALTH CARE SERVICES IN SOUTH L.A. THE
22 MEMBERS OF S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721, INCLUDING CURRENT AND FORMER
23 MEMBERS AT M.L.K. ARE COMMITTED TO THIS VISION. AND THE
24 COMMUNITY DESERVES NO LESS. THANK YOU.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. JAMES KYLE?

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3 **DR. JAMES KYLE:** MY NAME IS DR. JAMES KYLE, I'M FROM THE
4 CHARLES UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE. I THANK YOU FOR
5 THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO YOU TODAY. THE LEADERSHIP OF
6 CHARLES UNIVERSITY BELIEVES THAT THE LOSS OF M.L.K. .HOSPITAL
7 WILL DO IRREPARABLE HARM TO THIS COMMUNITY FOR YEARS TO COME.
8 THE CLOSURE OF THE HOSPITAL HAS DRAMATICALLY WEAKENED THE
9 ACUTE AND SPECIALTY CARE SAFETY NET. SOUTH LOS ANGELES HAS ONE
10 OF THE LOWEST PHYSICIAN POPULATION RATIOS IN THE STATE AT 31
11 TO 100,000, WHICH IS ONLY marginally BETTER THAN PHYSICIAN
12 RATIO IN BANGLADESH AT 25 TO 100,000. THE RATIO FOR THE
13 CALIFORNIA AS A STATE IS 126 TO 100,000. THE LOSS OF INPATIENT
14 AND EMERGENCY SERVICES THREATENS THE ECONOMIC VIABILITY OF
15 NEIGHBORING HOSPITALS AND CLINICS. AS 90 PERCENT OF THE
16 ADMISSIONS TO M.L.K. ARE EMERGENT AND NONDISCRETIONARY IN
17 NATURE AND ARE MEDICALLY INDIGENT. THE LOSS PLACES LIVES IN
18 DIRECT JEOPARDY. THE LOSS OF M.L.K. ALSO MEANS THAT PATIENTS
19 SUFFERING MORE SERIOUS TRAUMA MAY MISS THE GOLDEN HOUR TO
20 STABILIZE THEIR CONDITIONS DUE TO TRAVELING LONGER DISTANCES
21 AND FACING TRAFFIC DELAYS. WITH LOSS OF HOSPITALS, 237 MEDICAL
22 RESIDENTS IN ACTIVE TRAINING, THOSE RESIDENTS HAVE BEEN LOST
23 TO OUR COMMUNITY. THEREFORE WE MAKE THE FOLLOWING
24 RECOMMENDATIONS. NUMBER ONE, RESTORATION OF INPATIENT
25 EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMENSURATE WITH COMMUNITY NEEDS AND



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1 CURRENT AND EMERGING NEEDS. WE ALSO RECOMMEND THE RESTORATION
2 OF SPECIALTY SERVICES, N.I.C.U. AND LEVEL ONE TRAUMA
3 COMMENSURATE WITH THE COMMUNITY AND SYSTEM, AND REGIONAL
4 NEEDS. THREE, WE RECOMMEND THE MAINTENANCE OF A BROAD SCOPE OF
5 SPECIALTY SERVICES TO ADDRESS THE CURRENT PAUCITY OF THE
6 SERVICES WITHIN THE SERVICE AREA. FOUR, WE RECOMMEND THAT
7 M.L.K. BE ESTABLISHED AS A TEACHING HOSPITAL WITH CHARLES
8 UNIVERSITY AS A PRIMARY EDUCATION PROVIDER. AND FINALLY THE
9 COUNTY SHOULD RELINQUISH CONTINUED GOVERNANCE OF M.L.K.
10 HOSPITAL AND EITHER SUPPORT A CREATION OF AN INDEPENDENT
11 HEALTH AUTHORITY TO GOVERN THE L.A. COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL
12 SYSTEM, AS TO PROMOTE RATIONAL HEALTH PLANNING AND EVIDENCE-
13 BASED RESOURCE ALLOCATIONS. ALTERNATIVELY ALLOW THE HOSPITAL
14 TO BE OPERATED BY AN INNOCENT NONCOUNTY ENTITY EXPERIENCED IN
15 SUCCESSFUL HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTED TO SERVING
16 UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS WITH PRIMARY CARE, URGENT CARE,
17 INPATIENT, E.R., TRAUMA AND SPECIALTY CARE SERVICES. THANK YOU
18 VERY MUCH.

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20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, DOCTOR. DR. CLAVREUL, BUT
21 BEFORE YOU START, LET ME CALL THREE MORE PEOPLE DOWN. MORRIS
22 GRIFFIN, LEANNETTE HILL AND LYNN KERSEY.



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1 >>DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD AFTERNOON. DR. GENEVIEVE
2 CLAVREUL WELL, YOU KNOW, I FOUGHT VERY WELL TO NOT SEE THAT
3 HOSPITAL CLOSE, SO I'M SURELY VERY COMMITTED TO SEE IT
4 REOPENED. I THINK DOCTOR ROSS MADE VERY COMPELLING POINTS ON
5 HOW TO REOPEN IT. BUT I ALSO THINK THAT UNTIL WE HAVE A HEALTH
6 AUTHORITY IN THE COUNTY, WE ARE GOING TO HAVE THE SAME
7 CONTINUOUS MISHAP HAPPENING. NOW IS OLIVE VIEW HOSPITAL WHO'S
8 HAVING TREMENDOUS PROBLEM WITH C.M.S. AND CATASTROPHE
9 HAPPENING THERE. I THINK THAT A HEALTH AUTHORITY IS WHAT WE
10 ALREADY NEED. I HOPE THIS TIME YOU REALLY LOOK AT THE
11 QUALIFICATION OF THE INDIVIDUAL YOU ARE GOING TO UTILIZE TO
12 REOPEN THE HOSPITAL. I MEAN, DURING THE UTTER CATASTROPHE WITH
13 GARDENA, CAMDEN AND SO ON, IT WAS VERY OBVIOUS THEY DID NOT
14 HAVE THE CAPABILITY TO MAKE CORRECTION IN THAT HOSPITAL. WE
15 SPENT OVER \$20 MILLION. THE HOSPITAL NEED TO BE REOPENED, BUT
16 IT NEEDS TO BE REOPENED WITH QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS. YOU NEED
17 TO DO YOUR DUE DILIGENCE TO CHECK THAT THEY HAVE THE
18 CAPABILITY TO RUN IT AND NOT RUN IT INTO THE GROUND. WHEN I
19 HEAR THE STATEMENT OF S.E.I.U., I AM TOTALLY APPALLED, WHEN
20 THEY WERE NO WAY HELPING DURING THE TIME OF THE DEBACLE OF
21 KING DREW. I THINK THAT ANOTHER ASPECT YOU HAVE TO LOOK AT.
22 THE PERFORMANCE OF EMPLOYEES AND WHAT'S GOING TO BE DONE FOR
23 THE EMPLOYEES WHILE NOT PERFORMING AND THAT TOTALLY DIRECTED
24 MANY TIMES MANY TIMES TO THE UNIONS. SO I THINK YOU LOOK AT
25 ALL ASPECTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. MORRIS GRIFFIN?

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4 **MORRIS GRIFFIN:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IF THERE WAS EVER A
5 CLEAR MESSAGE THAT NEEDS TO BE SENT TODAY, THAT IS THAT WE
6 WOULD LIKE TO BE A PART OF THE PROCESS. THE FIRST DOCTOR WHO
7 JUST GOT UP TO SPEAK SPOKE VERY ELOQUENTLY WHEN HE TALKED
8 ABOUT HOW HE WANTS TO BE A PART OF THE SELECTION PROCESS AND
9 BE A PART OF THIS. WE'RE HOPING THAT YOU WILL CONSIDER THOSE
10 OF US WHO HAVE BEEN IN THE FOREFRONT OF THIS AFTER FOUR LONG
11 YEARS. WE'RE ASKING THAT YOU TAKE SOME OF OUR LEADERS AS WELL
12 AS SOME OF OUR COMMUNITY GROUPS THAT ARE ACCOUNTABLE AND
13 RESPONSIBLE AND ALLOW US TO SELECT SOME OF THE SEVEN DIFFERENT
14 COMPANIES THAT WANT TO TAKE OVER OUR HOSPITAL. ALLOW US TO BE
15 A PART OF UNDERSTANDING THAT WHEN THEY MAKE THIS CONTRACT,
16 WHEN WE HAVE THEM SIGN THIS CONTRACT, IF THEY DO NOT FULFILL
17 THIS CONTRACT, WE WILL NOT PAY THEM AS A RESULT OF THEM BEING
18 INCOMPETENT IF IT COMES UP TO WHERE THEY'RE INCOMPETENT IN
19 DOING THEIR DUTIES IN REGARDS TO THE CONTRACT. SO I URGE YOU,
20 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT LEAST UNDERSTAND THAT WE ARE HERE
21 BECAUSE WE ARE CONCERNED. AND WE WANT TO BE A PART OF THAT
22 SELECTION PROCESS SO THAT IT DOESN'T PUT ALL THE BLAME ON YOU.
23 WE DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO BLAME YOU ALL FOR THIS PROBLEM. SO
24 ALLOW US TO-- ALLOW YOURSELVES TO SAY "WELL, YOU HELPED MAKE
25 THIS SELECTION PROCESS, SO DON'T BLAME US FOR THIS ENTIRELY."



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1 SO IF THERE'S EVER A MESSAGE TO SEND, I WOULD HOPE THAT YOU
2 INCLUDE US IN THIS WHOLE ORDEAL. THE WORST HEALTH DISTRICT
3 ALMOST IN THE NATION WE'RE DEALING WITH. ALLOW US TO BE A PART
4 OF THAT. THANK YOU.

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6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. GRIFFIN. LEANNETTE HILL?

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8 **LEANNETTE HILL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD. I'M HERE AS A RESIDENT
9 IN CALIFORNIA FOR THESE YEARS. AND FOR THESE YEARS I'VE BEEN
10 COMING TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ABOUT KING DREW. AND WE ALL
11 KNOW TOO WELL, WHAT THE PROBLEMS ARE AND WHAT WE MUST DO, AS
12 DOCTOR ROSS HAS SAID AND AS DR. KYLE AND NOW MORRIS HAVE MADE
13 IT VERY PLAIN AND CLEAR THAT WE HAVE TO, OF COURSE, JOIN
14 TOGETHER AND MAKE THIS HAPPEN. WE ARE IN THE WORST, KING
15 HARBOR IS IN THE WORST SPA 6, THEY CALL IT AS FAR AS
16 HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS AND HEALTHCARE ISSUES GO. AND IT'S BEEN
17 THAT WAY FOR A VERY LONG TIME. EVEN SINCE THE RIOTS. NOT MUCH
18 HAS REALLY CHANGED. IN FACT, IT'S GOTTEN WORSE. I WOULD SAY
19 WITH A.I.D.S. WITH DIABETES, WITH HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE, THAT'S
20 THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN AND LATINO COMMUNITY SUFFER FROM IS
21 HORRENDOUS. I HAD EVEN HEARD SOMETHING ABOUT THE GANG BANGER
22 POPULATION, YOU KNOW, THE 50S HOOVERS. NOW THEY'RE GETTING
23 A.I.D.S. NOW WE HAVE A WHOLE OTHER GENERATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE
24 THAT WE ARE LOSING. AND I DON'T THINK THAT YOU CAN TALK ABOUT
25 A.I.D.S. AND HEALTHCARE WITHOUT A HOSPITAL, WITHOUT A FULLY



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1 ACCREDITED TEACHING HOSPITAL, ONE THAT WILL ATTRACT DOCTORS,
2 THAT WILL RETAIN THE NURSES THAT ARE NECESSARY THAT WE HAVE
3 NOT HAD. ONE THAT HAS AN OPERATING TRAUMA UNIT THAT HAD BEEN
4 GOTTEN RID OF. AND OF COURSE THAT A COMMUNITY REALLY FEELS
5 THAT IT'S BEING SUPPORTED, YOU KNOW, DESPITE THE ATTITUDE OF
6 PREJUDICE THAT A LOT OF THINGS THAT ARE PERVADING THE
7 HEALTHCARE INDUSTRY WITH REGARD TO A.I.D.S. AND PEOPLE OF
8 COLOR. AND I'M NOT JUST TALKING ABOUT A.I.D.S. HERE OR
9 ANYTHING LIKE THAT, I'M JUST BRINGING THAT UP AS A VERY URGENT
10 NEED. AND SO I JUST KNOW THAT THE COMMUNITY HAS TO BE
11 INCLUDED. THIS BEILENSEN HEARING, I MEAN WITH REGARD TO THE
12 WAY THAT IT WAS ADVERTISED, IT'S LOOKING LIKE A SHAM BECAUSE
13 THERE'S NOT ENOUGH COMMUNITY PEOPLE HERE AND THIS IS GOING TO
14 MORRIS'S POINT. WE HAVE TO HAVE THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER. AND
15 WITH THE MALIBU FIRES, WE DON'T NEED LESS HEALTHCARE, WE NEED
16 MORE. WE NEED IT QUICKLY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

17

18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LYNN KERSEY, BUT
19 BEFORE YOU START, LYNN, LET ME CALL COUNCILMAN BERNARD PARKS
20 IS HERE. JOSE GONZALES. AND NANCY WATSON. MISS KERSEY?

21

22 **LYNN KERSEY:** THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK THIS
23 AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS, MY NAME
24 IS LYNN KERSEY, I DIRECT MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH ACCESS
25 WHICH PROVIDES ASSISTANCE TO WOMEN IN NEED OF MATERNAL AND



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1 REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES ALL OVER THE COUNTY. I WANT TO
2 SPEAK TO THREE INTERRELATED POINTS ABOUT THE SCARCITY OF
3 PRENATAL PROVIDERS FOR THE SICKEST POPULATION OF WOMEN THAT
4 LIVES IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. PREGNANCY AND CHILDBIRTH ARE THE
5 HIGHEST MEDICAL DISCHARGE DIAGNOSES FOR THE AREA AND 75
6 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION IS UNDER 45. WE KNOW THIS FROM THE
7 REPORT THAT YOU WERE GIVEN BY THE CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT, AND
8 THANK THEM FOR THAT. THESE STATISTICS SUGGEST THE NEED FOR
9 OBSTETRICS AND REPRODUCTIVE CARE. THERE ISN'T ENOUGH CAPACITY,
10 NUMBER ONE, DESPITE THE 2005 SURVEY BY THEN DIRECTOR OF HEALTH
11 SERVICES DR. GARTHWAY. TWO OF THE HOSPITALS TO WHICH THEY
12 WOULD HAVE REDISTRIBUTED PATIENTS HAVE NO NEONATAL INTENSIVE
13 CARE UNIT. ONE OF THE HOSPITALS DOES NOT PROVIDE TUBAL
14 LIGATION SHOULD A WOMAN SO CHOOSE. AND D.H.S. DETERMINED THAT
15 70 PROVIDERS WOULD ACCEPT NEW MEDI-CAL PATIENTS, AND OF THOSE
16 39 WOULD ACCEPT HIGH RISK MEDI-CAL PATIENTS AND THAT THEN
17 THERE WAS ENOUGH CAPACITY. SINCE THEN THE CLOSURE OF SUBURBAN
18 AND DANIEL FRIEDMAN HOSPITAL, TWO OBSTETRICS HAS AFFECTED 22
19 OF THE 39 OBSTETRICIANS THAT WERE COUNTED IN THAT SURVEY. SO I
20 WOULD SUGGEST TO YOU THERE REALLY ISN'T ENOUGH CAPACITY EVEN
21 IF ALL WOMEN WERE CREATED EQUAL WHICH WE CAN SEE THEY ARE NOT.
22 IN SPA 6, THE SECOND RELATED AND GREATER CONCERNS IS THAT
23 THESE WOMEN HAVE VERY HIGH RISK, COMPLEX PREGNANCIES. WE HAVE
24 THE HIGHEST TEEN AND REPEAT TEEN BIRTH. WE HAVE THE HIGHEST
25 RATE OF LOW BIRTH WEIGHT, THE HIGHEST INFANT DEATH RATE IN THE



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1 COUNTY, THE SECOND LOWEST RATE OF WOMEN RECEIVING CARE IN THE
2 FIRST TRIMESTER AND THE HIGHEST RATE OF INADEQUATE PRENATAL
3 CARE. WE HAVE SICKER WOMEN, WE HAVE HIGHER MORBIDITY AND
4 MORTALITY. THE THIRD RATE IS THAT THESE HIGH RISK PREGNANT
5 WOMEN NEED TO BE SEEN IN COUNTY FACILITIES OR FACILITIES THAT
6 CAN SEE THEM AROUND THE CLOCK, AND PROVIDE SPECIALTY SERVICES
7 THAT A COUNTY HOSPITAL WITH SPECIALISTS PROVIDE. AND THE
8 PRENATAL CARE NEEDS TO BE PROVIDED IN THEIR AREA, NOT ACROSS
9 TOWN AT COUNTY U.S.C. THE CAMPAIGN TO BRING PATIENTS BACK TO
10 MARTIN LUTHER KING IS SUPPOSED TO END THIS MONTH. IF YOU'RE
11 NOT AWARE, THE ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN, AND I WOULD SUGGEST TO
12 YOU AT LEAST IT GOES BEYOND THIS MONTH SO WE CAN BRING UP THE
13 AMBULATORY CARE VISITS INTO AT LEAST THE 1,600 THAT THEY WERE
14 SUPPOSED TO BE, 1,600 THEY WERE LAST YEAR AND 1,900 THEY'RE
15 SUPPOSED TO BE THIS YEAR. THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO
16 SPEAK AND I HAVE OTHER POINTS THAT I'LL TURN IN.

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18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. THANKS FOR THAT. AND FOR THE
19 INFORMATION ABOUT THE AD CAMPAIGN. BUT IF I COULD JUST ASK,
20 NOT AT THE MOMENT, BUT AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC
21 HEARING, IF WE CAN ASK DR. CHERNOF TO ADDRESS THAT ISSUE OF
22 THE CAMPAIGN TO BRING OUR CLIENTS BACK TO THE URGENT CARE, I
23 GUESS, AT THIS POINT, EXPIRES AT THE END OF THE MONTH. WHAT
24 OUR OPTIONS ARE THERE. COUNCILMAN PARKS?

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1 **BERNARD PARKS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. THANK YOU, HONORABLE
2 BOARD. I WANTED TO COME HERE TODAY AS I SPOKE AT THE LAST
3 HEARING THAT YOU HAD REGARDING THE CLOSURE OF THE EMERGENCY
4 ROOM AT M.L.K. I REPRESENT AN AREA, EIGHTH DISTRICT, ALONG
5 WITH THE NINTH DISTRICT IN JAN PERI'S AREA. WE REPRESENT THE
6 HIGHEST LEVEL OF VIOLENCE AND ELDERLY POPULATION IN THE CITY
7 OF L.A. WE USE, AND OUR COMMUNITY PROBABLY USES M.L.K.
8 EMERGENCY PROBABLY MORE THAN MOST COMMUNITIES. WHAT WE HAVE
9 RECENTLY BEEN ADVISED SINCE THE CLOSURE OF M.L.K. EMERGENCY IS
10 THAT OUR PARAMEDICS NOW NOT ONLY FIND THEMSELVES ADDING TIME
11 AND DISTANCE TO THEIR CALLS, THEY'RE NOW IN THE SITUATION TO
12 WHERE THEY HAVE TO SEARCH FOR A HOSPITAL THAT IS NOT FILLED
13 WITH PATIENTS AND THEN SECONDARILY, ONCE THERE, THEY'RE
14 SPENDING LITERALLY HOURS IN THE WAITING ROOM IN ORDER TO CAUSE
15 THEIR PATIENTS TO GET CARE. SPEAKING WITH CHIEF BARRY OF THE
16 L.A. FIRE DEPARTMENT, THE PROBLEM HAS BECOME SO INTENSE THAT
17 THEY'RE EVEN CONSIDERING BRINGING MORE AMBULANCES THAT ARE
18 CURRENTLY IN MOTHBALLS BACK IN SERVICE SO THAT THEY CAN PUT
19 MORE ON THE STREET. SO WE'RE LOSING THAT LEVEL OF SERVICE IN
20 THE COMMUNITY. HAVING GONE TO A NUMBER OF COMMUNITY EVENTS AND
21 SPOKE ON THIS ISSUE IN THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS, THE ONE THING
22 THAT COULD BE OF GREATEST IMPORTANCE TO THE COMMUNITY IF THERE
23 IS AN ESTABLISHED TIMELINE THAT COULD BE WORKED TOWARDS AS TO
24 BRINGING BACK THE EMERGENCY CARE AT M.L.K. THE ISSUE THAT MOST
25 OF THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE VERY APPRECIATIVE THAT URGENT



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1 CARE IS STILL IN PLACE, BUT WITHOUT A TIMELINE, WITHOUT AN
2 UNDERSTANDING OF WHEN THIS COULD BECOME A REALITY, IT
3 CERTAINLY DOES NOT GIVE THEM HOPE. THEY KNOW THAT MOST PEOPLE
4 AGREE IT SHOULD BE OPEN, NOT KNOWING THE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT
5 IT'S REQUIRED, NOT UNDERSTANDING THE TIMELINES IN WHICH
6 THEY'RE WORKING UNDER OR WHETHER IT WILL EVER OCCUR IS WHAT
7 CAUSES THE UNCERTAINTY AND THE LACK OF HOPE IN THE COMMUNITY.
8 SO I WOULD HOPE THAT AS YOU GO THROUGH THESE HEARINGS IS IF
9 THERE'S ANY GLIMMER OF LIGHT THAT YOU CAN GIVE THE COMMUNITY
10 AS TO WHAT ARE THE STEPS THAT ARE GOING TO BE TAKEN? WHAT IS
11 THE TIMELINE THAT WE'RE WORKING FOR? WHEN IS THE ULTIMATE GOAL
12 IN ORDER TO RE-ESTABLISH EMERGENCY CARE AT MARTIN LUTHER KING
13 HOSPITAL, WOULD BE A MAJOR PLUS TO THE COMMUNITY AND FULLY
14 SUPPORTED IN UNDERSTANDING THAT THE COMMUNITY SUPPORTS WHAT
15 YOU'RE DOING, PARTICULARLY THE URGENT CARE. BUT AGAIN WE HAVE
16 COMMUNITIES OUT THERE THAT UNNECESSARILY PEOPLE ARE DYING
17 BECAUSE OF THE LENGTH OF TIME FOR THE TRAVEL. ALSO THE FACT
18 THAT PEOPLE ARE PUT IN QUEUES IN HOSPITAL WAITING ROOMS AT
19 THIS TIME. AND SO I JUST HOPE THAT WE COULD GET AT LEAST THAT
20 KIND OF INFORMATION OUT, THAT WOULD BE VERY, VERY HELPFUL TO
21 THE COMMUNITY.

22

23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. THANKS, COUNCILMAN PARKS.
24 JOSE GONZALES? ONE SECOND. BEFORE YOU START, BEFORE YOU START,
25 IS NANCY WATSON HERE? THAT'S YOU. BARBARA SIEGEL? IS SHE HERE?



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1 COME ON DOWN. YOU'RE GOING TO BE IN THIS PANEL. ELENA ACKEL.

2 OKAY, MR. GONZALES.

3

4 **JOSE GONZALES:** MY NAME IS JOSE GONZALES. I AM WITH THE SOUTH
5 CENTRAL WILLOWBROOK COALITION FOR QUALITY HEALTHCARE. I DON'T
6 WANT TO SPEND THE TIME TALKING ABOUT ALL THE NEEDS BECAUSE I
7 THINK IT IS VERY EVIDENT TO EVERYONE THE NEED FOR A TERTIARY
8 FIRST CLASS HOSPITAL IN SOUTH CENTRAL LOS ANGELES. WHAT I'M
9 HERE TO TALK ABOUT IS A GREAT CONCERN THAT THE ORGANIZATIONS
10 THAT I REPRESENT HAVE, AND THAT IS THAT THE PROCESS THAT'S
11 GOING ON RIGHT NOW IS NOT INCLUDING THE COMMUNITY. IT'S NOT
12 INCLUDING THE INPUT OF INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE THE EXPERTISE AND
13 THE ABILITY TO GIVE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AN OPPORTUNITY TO
14 LOOK AT THE PROCESS IN A TRANSPARENT WAY. THERE'S NOT A LOT OF
15 SUPPORT FOR WHAT'S BEING DONE. WE HAVE A HEARING IN AN
16 AUDITORIUM AND PEOPLE EXPRESSED THEIR CONCERNS. THERE'S ONE
17 MAN THERE LISTENING, AND AT THE END OF THE DAY, EVERYBODY JUST
18 GOES HOME. I THINK WHAT WAS SAID EARLIER IS THAT I BELIEVE AND
19 THE PEOPLE THAT I REPRESENT THAT YOU SHOULD APPOINT A SPECIAL
20 COMMITTEE, A SPECIAL BLUE PANEL COMMITTEE TO LOOK AT THE
21 PROPOSITIONS THAT ARE BEING PROPOSED, THE SOLUTIONS THAT ARE
22 BEING PROPOSED. WE DON'T HAVE A LOT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE
23 DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT WAS THE ONE THAT WAS RUNNING THE
24 HOSPITAL WHEN IT WENT DOWN. THE DEPARTMENT WAS THE ONE THAT
25 WAS INVOLVED WITH CAMDEN GROUP AND ALL THE PROCESSES THAT HAD



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1 GONE THROUGH FOR ALL THE LAST FOUR YEARS TRYING TO SALVAGE THE
2 HOSPITAL. THERE'S NOT A LOT OF CONFIDENCE. THOSE OF US WHO
3 HAVE BEEN TRYING TO COMMUNICATE, TRYING TO EXPRESS THESE
4 CONCERNS HAVE TOTALLY BEEN IGNORED. AND I REALLY BELIEVE THAT
5 IN THIS NEXT STEP, IN THIS VERY, VERY IMPORTANT STEP, IF WE'RE
6 GOING TO FLY UP LIKE THE PHOENIX AND HAVE A HOSPITAL THAT THE
7 COMMUNITY CAN SUPPORT, WE HAVE TO BE PART OF THAT PROCESS.
8 THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NANCY WATSON?

11

12 **NANCY WATSON:** HI. NANCY WATSON, COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCILS.
13 WE'VE BEEN READING THE REPORTS, WEEKLY UPDATES THAT WE GET ON
14 DIFFERENT DATA FROM THE DEPARTMENT ON HOW THINGS ARE FARING
15 OUT THERE SINCE THE CLOSURE. WE THINK THAT THESE REPORTS COULD
16 BE STRENGTHENED TOO. THEY KIND OF VARY, GO BACK AND FORTH, BUT
17 ESSENTIALLY WE'RE NOT REALLY THINKING THAT D.H.S. IS GIVING US
18 THE FULL STORY AND COULD DO A BETTER SERVICE TO THE BOARD IN
19 TERMS OF REPORTING THAT IMPACT FROM SHOWING US COMPARISONS TO
20 LAST YEAR'S VISITS IN TERMS OF PRIMARY AND SPECIALTY CARE,
21 MORE INFORMATION ON DIVERSIONS, COMPARED TO LAST YEAR. AND I
22 THINK THESE ARE INCLUDED BUT THEY TENDED TO VARY FROM WEEK TO
23 WEEK SO WE LIKE TO SEE THAT STRENGTHENED. WE ALSO HEARD THAT
24 POST DISCHARGE WOULD BE AVAILABLE AT M.L.K., BUT WE DON'T HAVE
25 ANY REPORTING OR ACCOUNTING OF THAT. ALSO, PATIENTS ADMITTED



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1 FROM M.L.K. SERVICE AREA AT BOTH THE COUNTY AND IMPACTED
2 HOSPITALS. WE RESPECT THAT THERE IS A LOT OF DATA REPORTING
3 BEING COLLECTED, BUT WE THINK THAT THAT COULD BE IMPROVED.
4 AGAIN, WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE DROPS IN SERVICE, SO WE
5 THINK THE OUTREACH CAMPAIGN NEEDS TO CONTINUE. PRIMARY
6 SPECIALTY VISITS HAVE BEEN DROPPING FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS, AS
7 I THINK L.A. HEALTH ACTION IS RESEARCHING. JUST FROM LAST
8 YEAR, WE'RE SEEING 4,000 LESS VISITS PER MONTH. PEDIATRIC
9 URGENT CARE DROPPED FROM 700 VISITS IN JANUARY TO 200 VISITS
10 IN AUGUST, AND THAT WAS THEREFORE CONSOLIDATED. WE TALKED WITH
11 A PATIENT WHO WASN'T HAPPY WITH HIS CONSOLIDATION. IT WAS
12 TAKING HER TIME TO GET THROUGH THE SERVICE. EITHER SHE WASN'T
13 GETTING A DOCTOR IN TIME OR IT WAS MORE CROWDED FOR HER AND
14 SHE HAD CONCERNS ABOUT THAT. SO I'D ASK THAT YOU TAKE A LOOK
15 AT THAT, AS WELL. BUT WE UNDERSTAND AND RESPECT THE WORK THAT
16 THE M.L.K. STAFF ARE DOING TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE CARE UNDER
17 DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES NOW THAT THEY DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO THE
18 DOCTORS AT DREW OR EVEN-- AND THERE'S NO CONNECTION TO
19 INPATIENT CARE. SO IT BECOMES VERY DIFFICULT TO PROVIDE CARE.
20 THEREFORE, WE URGE THE COUNTY TO REOPEN THE HOSPITAL AS SOON
21 AS POSSIBLE. WE PUT TOGETHER A NUMBER OF CRITERIA IN
22 PARTNERSHIP WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AROUND THE AREA FROM
23 ASKING OBVIOUSLY LONG TERM COMMITMENT, WE WANT TO SEE
24 PERFORMANCE GOALS. WE WANT TO SEE AN OPERATOR THAT CAN
25 MAXIMIZE FUNDING. AND THEN ALSO PROVIDE TRAINING SO THAT WE



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1 CAN HAVE DOCTORS AVAILABLE IN THIS COMMUNITY THAT HAS SO FEW.
2 WE THINK THE COUNTY, AS MR. GONZALES HIGHLIGHTED VERY CLEARLY
3 BEFORE, NEEDS TO PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMUNITY INPUT.
4 YOU NEED TO LOOK AT HOW YOU WILL INTERACT WITH THIS NEW
5 OPERATOR, WHAT THE STRUCTURE OF THAT WILL BE SO THAT YOU CAN
6 ASSURE ACCOUNTABILITY BUT ALLOW THEM TO PROVIDE GOOD CARE AND
7 NOT BE MICROMANAGED. AND THEN FINALLY YOU NEED TO BUILD
8 COMMUNITY CLINIC CAPACITY DURING THIS CRITICAL TIME WHEN THE
9 HOSPITAL IS CLOSED, AND ON AN ON GOING BASIS AS THE CALIFORNIA
10 ENDOWMENT REPORT HAS SHOWN. AND IN THE MEANTIME, WE PLAN TO DO
11 THE BEST JOB THAT WE CAN DO TO BRING TOGETHER SOUTH L.A.
12 STAKEHOLDERS, INCLUDING THE COUNTY AND STATE, TO RE-ENVISION
13 HEALTHCARE, REINFUSE NEW IDEAS AND KEEP FROM LOSING ANY
14 ADDITIONAL HOSPITALS IN THE AREA. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. BARBARA SIEGEL. FELICIA FORD
17 WOULD YOU COME FORWARD? AND DELANA SOWELL.

18

19 **BARBARA SIEGEL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BARBARA SIEGEL. I'M
20 AN ATTORNEY WITH NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES HEALTH CONSUMER
21 CENTER. WE RUN A COUNTY-WIDE HEALTH ADVOCACY PROGRAM FOR LOW
22 INCOME RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY. I'M SUBMITTING A RECORD TODAY
23 ON BEHALF OF NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES, LEGAL AID FOUNDATION
24 OF LOS ANGELES, COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCIL, MATERNAL AND CHILD
25 HEALTH ACCESS, AND THE SOUTH SIDE COALITION OF COMMUNITY



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1 HEALTH CENTERS, I WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT THIS. WE HAVE ALSO
2 PROVIDED THIS RECORD ON A C.D. SEPARATELY FOR EACH BOARD
3 OFFICE. IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING-- AND I THINK YOU'VE HEARD
4 TESTIMONY-- THAT THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES AREA OR THE SPA 6 AREA
5 AS WE ARE REFERRING TO IT, IS A COMMUNITY IN GREAT NEED. THE
6 CLOSURE OF M.L.K. GOES BACK SEVERAL YEARS IF YOU REALLY LOOK
7 AT IT BECAUSE WE HAVE TO LOOK AT THE PRIOR REDUCTIONS IN SIZE
8 OF THE HOSPITAL, THE CLOSURE OF THE TRAUMA CENTER, THE PSYCH
9 EMERGENCY ROOM, THE CLOSURE OF THE FLORENCE FIRESTONE,
10 PARAMOUNT AND COMPTON PERSONAL HEALTH CENTERS. THESE ARE
11 COMBINED WITH THE CLOSURES OF OTHER PRIVATE HOSPITALS IN THE
12 AREA. AND WHAT HAS HAPPENED IS WE REALLY HAVE INSUFFICIENT
13 HEALTH FACILITIES AND RESOURCES IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES NOW TO
14 MEET THE NEEDS OF THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY. AND THIS
15 WILL IMPACT NOT ONLY THAT COMMUNITY BUT THE REST OF THE
16 COUNTY. SOUTH LOS ANGELES HAS THE HIGHEST INCIDENCE OF
17 INDIVIDUALS LIVING BELOW THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL IN LOS
18 ANGELES COUNTY. WE ALSO HAVE THE HIGHEST INCIDENCE OF ADULT
19 DIABETES, HYPERTENSION AND AS YOU'VE ALREADY HEARD INFANT
20 DEATH RATES ARE HIGHEST IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES WHEN COMPARED TO
21 THE REST OF THE COUNTY, TEEN PREGNANCIES AND LOW BIRTH WEIGHT
22 BABIES. WE HAVE THE HIGHEST DEATH RATES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
23 IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES, WITH RESPECT TO DIABETES, CORONARY HEART
24 DISEASE, STROKE, HOMICIDES, BREAST CANCER, COLORECTAL CANCER,
25 PNEUMONIA INFLUENZA AND THE OVERALL MORTALITY RATE. THIS IS



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1 TRULY A COMMUNITY IN NEED. THE DOCUMENTS THAT WE'RE SUBMITTING
2 TODAY I THINK CAN BE CATEGORIZED INTO THREE DIFFERENT IMPACTS.
3 THE FIRST IS THE IMPACT ON THE LOCAL HOSPITALS. THE LOCAL
4 HOSPITALS HAVE SEEN AN INCREASE IN HOSPITAL DIVERSION TIME.
5 THEY'VE SEEN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT CROWDING, INCREASED IN
6 BOARDING TIME, INCREASE IN THE WALL TIME FOR PARAMEDICS. THIS
7 IS THE AMOUNT OF TIME PARAMEDICS SPEND AT THE HOSPITAL BEFORE
8 THEY CAN TRANSFER THE CARE OF THE PATIENT OVER TO THE
9 EMERGENCY ROOM. AND WE ARE INCLUDING THE DECLARATION HERE FROM
10 FIRE CHIEF MARK SOLDER FROM DOWNEY FIRE DEPARTMENT WHO
11 ACTUALLY EXPLAINS THESE AND TELLS ABOUT THE IMPACT IN JUST THE
12 DOWNEY FIRE DEPARTMENT. AND I THINK IT IS PARTICULARLY
13 SIGNIFICANT BECAUSE THAT DEPARTMENT IS SO CLOSE TO MARTIN
14 LUTHER KING. WE ALSO HAVE THE IMPACT ON THE CLINICS. YOU WILL
15 FIND OPERATIONS HERE FROM THE COMMUNITY CLINICS INDICATING
16 THAT THEY HAVE HAD A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN PATIENT VISITS
17 FROM PATIENTS LIVING IN THE ZIP CODES PREVIOUSLY CARED FOR AT
18 MARTIN LUTHER KING. WE ALSO HAVE TESTIMONY FROM CLINICS
19 REGARDING THE DIFFICULTY THEY ARE HAVING EVEN NOW GETTING
20 SPECIALTY CARE AT MARTIN LUTHER KING. AND YOU'VE HEARD
21 TESTIMONY THAT THE CARE IS AVAILABLE, BUT WE HAVE INDIVIDUALS
22 AND DOCTORS FROM THE COMMUNITY CLINICS WHO ARE UNABLE TO GET
23 THE CARE FOR THEIR PATIENTS. I CAN TELL YOU ABOUT ONE DOCTOR
24 WHO TOLD US ABOUT A PATIENT WHO REQUIRED AN OPHTHALMOLOGY
25 VISIT. THE DOCTOR SAID EVEN BEFORE M.L.K. CLOSED, HE WAS



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1 WAITING SIX MONTHS TO A YEAR TO GET OPHTHALMOLOGY CARE AND NOW
2 THE ADULT OPHTHALMOLOGY CLINIC HAS BEEN TEMPORARILY CLOSED AND
3 HE DOESN'T HAVE ANYWHERE TO REFER HIS OPHTHALMOLOGY CLIENTS,
4 PATIENTS OTHER THAN OUTSIDE OF THE SPA AND USUALLY TO PRIVATE
5 PROVIDERS. WE ALSO SEE THE IMPACT ON INDIVIDUAL CLIENTS. AND
6 YOU WILL READ ABOUT SHARONDA FELDER. SHARONDA HAS A FIVE-MONTH
7 OLD CHILD. THE CHILD HAD A FEBRILE SEIZURE. SHE LIVES A HALF
8 MILE FROM M.L.K. SHE CALLED 911. 911 CAME OUT TO HER HOME.
9 THEY TOLD HER "WE CAN'T TAKE YOU TO HARBOR U.C.L.A., THEY'RE
10 FULL. WE CAN'T TAKE YOU TO ST. FRANCIS. THEY'RE FULL. YOUR
11 BEST BET IS TO GET INTO YOUR CAR AND DRIVE YOURSELF OVER TO
12 GARDENA HOSPITAL, WHICH IS WHAT SHE DID. SO SHE TOOK HER CHILD
13 POST SEIZURE TO GARDENA HOSPITAL. SHE SAID THE DELAY WAS OVER
14 AN HOUR IN GETTING HER CHILD MEDICALLY NECESSARY CARE. BESIDES
15 SHE NOW HAS A \$500 BILL FROM THE HOSPITAL THAT SHE HAS TO DEAL
16 WITH. THERE ARE OTHER PATIENTS WHOSE TESTIMONY IS PROVIDED IN
17 THIS RECORD. WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO READ IT AND TO CONSIDER
18 PARTICULARLY SOME OF THE TESTIMONY FROM EXPERTS IN THE FIELD
19 WHO RECOMMEND A GREATLY EXPANDED AMBULATORY CARE IN SIX
20 SPECIFIC ZIP CODES. WE BELIEVE THIS COMMUNITY REQUIRES A
21 HOSPITAL AS WELL AS EXPANDED AMBULATORY AND SPECIALTY CARE.
22 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. ELENA ACKEL?

25



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1 **ELENA ACKEL:** YES, I'M ELENA ACKEL FROM LEGAL AID AND I
2 PROVIDED MY COMMENTS IN WRITING IF I DON'T GET THROUGH IT IN
3 MY TWO MINUTES. FIRST I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT THE COMPARISON
4 POINT, I BELIEVE, FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF SERVICES SHOULD BE
5 KING WHEN IT WAS IN FULL OPERATION, WHICH WAS 232 BEDS, NOT
6 THE 153 BEDS WHEN IT WAS IN MELTDOWN. AND I THINK THE SAME
7 GOES FOR AMBULATORY SERVICES BECAUSE THOSE SERVICES ARE STILL
8 NEEDED. AND THAT WOULD MEAN INSTEAD OF 17 CONTRACTED BEDS, YOU
9 COULD ACTUALLY CONTRACT FOR 79 BEDS IN THE COMMUNITY TO
10 REPLACE THE ONES AT KING. AND EARLIER TODAY, DR. CHERNOF SAID
11 THAT ONLY 22 OF THE 52 AT RANCHO IS STAFFED. SO THERE'S EVEN
12 MORE BEDS THAT COULD BE CONTRACTED OUT TO THE PRIVATE
13 HOSPITALS IN ORDER TO FULFILL THE CAPACITY THAT WAS FORMERLY
14 PROVIDED BY KING. AND ALSO CURRENTLY ONLY PEOPLE ARE BEING
15 PAID FOR INDIGENTS THAT ARE GOING TO THE IMPACTED HOSPITALS IF
16 THEY ARRIVE BY AMBULANCE. GIVEN THE EXAMPLE THAT BARBARA GAVE
17 WHERE THEY WEREN'T ABLE TO GO BY AMBULANCE TO THE HOSPITAL
18 BECAUSE THEY WERE ON DIVERSION, THAT PERSON ALSO SHOULD BE
19 ENTITLED TO HAVE THEIR COSTS PAID FOR IF THEY'RE INDIGENT. AND
20 I THINK THAT GIVEN THE FACT THAT THERE IS MORE BEDS THAT
21 SHOULD BE AVAILABLE, THAT PEOPLE THAT ARE THE SICKEST SHOULD
22 ALSO GET THEIR INDIGENT CARE PAID FOR AT PRIVATE HOSPITALS.
23 AND THE OTHER THING IS THAT WHAT WAS CLOSED AT MARTIN LUTHER
24 KING WAS THE HAWKINS PSYCHIATRIC EMERGENCY CENTER. BUT NOW
25 THERE IS PROBLEMS ACROSS THE BOARD ON THE PROVISION OF



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1 PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES AT THE HAWKINS FACILITY. THEY CURRENTLY
2 HAVE MANY OPENINGS THAT SHOULD BE REPLACED FOR O.T.S AND
3 R.T.S. AND THE SAME THING IS THROUGHOUT THE SYSTEM. CURRENTLY
4 THERE ARE PATIENT RIGHTS VIOLATIONS, NOT ONLY AT HAWKINS AND
5 KING WAS CITED FOR THEM. HAWKINS HAS BEEN CITED. BUT THEY ARE
6 SYSTEM-WIDE BECAUSE THERE'S NOT SUFFICIENT O.T. AND R.T. STAFF
7 AT THE HOSPITALS. AND I HAVE PROVIDED MORE SPECIFICS ON THAT.
8 AND LASTLY I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT THE APPOINTMENT SYSTEM AT
9 MARTIN LUTHER KING NEEDS TO BE UPDATED, POSSIBLY ON THE LINES
10 WITH WHAT HAS HAPPENED AT THE DIAGNOSTIC CENTER AND FOR THE
11 SPECIALTY APPOINTMENT AT COUNTY U.S.C. BECAUSE ALL THOSE
12 APPOINTMENTS ARE FILLED. AND THE APPOINTMENTS AT KING ARE SO
13 IMPORTANT, THOUGH, WE WANT TO SEE THAT NONE GO BEGGING AND
14 THAT THERE IS A WALK-IN THE CLINIC AND THERE IS SPACE, THEY
15 SHOULD BE TAKEN AND NOT GIVEN AN APPOINTMENT IN THE FUTURE TO
16 COME BACK WHERE THEY MOST LIKELY MAY NOT. AND THE REST OF MY
17 COMMENTS I HAVE PROVIDED.

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19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT THANK YOU. FELICIA FORD.

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21 **FELICIA FORD:** THANK YOU, FELICIA FORD, A VOICE FOR THE PEOPLE.
22 TO THE COUNTY SUPERVISORS, HOW CAN WE HELP YOU? YOU ARE
23 ELECTED OFFICIALS THAT ARE HERE TO PLEASE THE PEOPLE. YOU
24 AFFECT OUR LIVES BY THE DECISIONS THAT YOU MAKE. CLOSING THE
25 HOSPITAL OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, IT'S NO QUESTION, WAS A



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1 NATIONAL DISGRACE. NOT TO EVEN MENTION OF COURSE THERE WERE A
2 LIT OF BIT OF CESSPOOL OF PROBLEMS. FOR THE DOCTORS AND NURSES
3 AND THE POLICE AGENCIES THAT PROVIDE CRITICAL CARE FOR A WIDE
4 RANGE OF PEOPLE, YOU HAVE EXHAUSTED THEM. THE FIRE
5 DEPARTMENTS, COMPTON, INGLEWOOD, GARDENA, TORRANCE, WATTS,
6 MANY TO NAME, JUST A FEW, THEY ARE THE ONES THAT HAVE BEEN
7 FIGHTING THE FIRES OF THIS COUNTY. WHEN YOU ARE EXHAUSTING
8 THEM FOR THE SERVICES THAT THEY PROVIDE IN THE CITIES AND
9 WITHIN THE COUNTY THAT THEY HAVE TO SERVE FOR THE FIRES FOR
10 EMERGENCIES, DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE DOING HERE? WE ARE
11 NOT PREPARED FOR THE DISASTER THAT MAY COME. AND IT REALLY
12 HURTS ME TO EVEN SPEAK ON SUCH A MATTER THAT IS SO PAINFUL TO
13 A WIDE RANGE OF PEOPLE IN CLOSING DOWN A HOSPITAL THAT
14 PROVIDED CRITICAL CARE FOR A MULTITUDE OF PEOPLE. I'M HERE TO
15 ASK YOU: CAN WE HELP YOU MAKE THE DECISION IN GETTING THIS
16 HOSPITAL BACK OPEN? ARE YOU SAYING IT WILL BE OPEN WITHIN A
17 YEAR? YOU'RE GIVING THE PEOPLE A YEAR TO DIE WHEN LOSS OF LIFE
18 HAS BEEN OVERWHELMING AND HASN'T BEEN DISCUSSED HERE, THE
19 NUMBERS? THANK YOU. MY TIME IS UP.

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21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. BEFORE DELANA SOWELL GOES,
22 LET ME INVITE JACKELINE VIVES. YOLANDA VERA AND GLORIA
23 RODRIGUEZ TO COME FORWARD. MISS SOWELL?

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1 **DELANA SOWELL:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DELANA SOWELL.
2 WHAT I'M HERE, I'M TALKING ABOUT NOT CLOSING MARTIN LUTHER
3 KING. MY DAUGHTER WAS BORN THERE IN 1977. MY GRAND BABY HAD
4 SURGERY-- I MEAN, NOT SURGERY. HE WENT IN THERE FOR A SEIZURE.
5 AND THEY WAS EXCEPTIONAL. THEY DID ALL THEY COULD TO SAVE HIS
6 LIFE. I EVEN TOLD THEM TAKE MY LIFE FOR HIS. BUT IT WAS LIKE,
7 YOU KNOW, I AM SO UPSET BECAUSE OF WHAT IS GOING ON. MY SISTER
8 DIED OVER IN TORRANCE. SHE WAS TAKEN OFF OF LIFE SUPPORT. MY
9 BROTHER DIED AT THE TWIN TOWERS JAIL. AND I'M LIKE, HE DIDN'T
10 DIE AT THE TWIN TOWER JAIL, BUT HE DIED AT THE HANDS OF THE
11 SHERIFF BACK IN 2005. AND I'M LIKE AND MY SON IS THERE. HE WAS
12 HIT IN THE HEAD WITH A GUN. YOU KNOW, IT'S LIKE WHAT IS-- WHAT
13 KIND OF JUSTICE ARE WE GETTING AS PEOPLE, AS HUMAN BEINGS?
14 THIS IS NOT WHAT I WROTE DOWN HERE BECAUSE WHAT I WROTE DOWN
15 HERE IS BASICALLY OUT OF CONTEXT. BUT I'M LIKE SAYING I AM
16 UPSET AND I'M FRUSTRATED WITH WHAT'S GOING ON BECAUSE NO ONE
17 IS GETTING UP AND TALKING ABOUT WHAT IS ACTUALLY GOING ON.
18 POLITICS IS OUT OF THE QUESTION. IT'S ABOUT LIVES. IT'S ABOUT
19 SAVING PEOPLE. IT'S ABOUT MAKING HUMANITY WELL AGAIN. BECAUSE
20 WE ARE LOSING SO MANY PEOPLE BEHIND, PEOPLE WHO REALLY DON'T
21 HAVE COMPASSION. WE HAVE TO HAVE COMPASSION FOR ONE ANOTHER.
22 THAT'S ALL I WANT TO SAY. MY TWO MINUTES IS EARLY. THANK YOU.
23
24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU'RE WELCOME. THANK YOU. JACKELINE
25 VIVES? IS JACKELINE VIVES HERE? ALL RIGHT. YOLANDA VERA.



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2 **YOLANDA VERA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS YOLANDA VERA. I'M

3 TESTIFYING ON BEHALF L.A. HEALTH ACTION AND NOT THE L.A.

4 COLLABORATIVE. I'M SUBMITTING WRITTEN TESTIMONY THAT GOES INTO

5 DETAIL AND WANTED TO LIMIT MY TESTIMONY AND COMMENTS TO SOME

6 PRIMARY CARE REDUCTIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN OCCURRING IN SPA 6,

7 WHICH ARE NOT SUBJECT TO A BIELENSON, AND HAVEN'T BEEN SUBJECT

8 TO A BEILENSON NOTICE. I BROUGHT A FEW CHARTS WHICH ARE WITHIN

9 THE TESTIMONY ITSELF. BUT IF YOU LOOK AT THE CHART, YOU CAN

10 SEE THAT OVER THE LAST SEVERAL FISCAL YEARS, PRIMARY CARE

11 THAT'S BEEN PROVIDED AT KING DREW MEDICAL CENTER AT THE COUNTY

12 OPERATED HEALTH CENTERS AND AT THE P.P.P. CLINICS IN SPA 6

13 HAVE DROPPED DRAMATICALLY BY 21 PERCENT OVER THE LAST SEVERAL

14 YEARS. AND IF YOU JUST FOCUS AT MARTIN LUTHER KING, THERE HAS

15 BEEN A DRAMATIC DROP OF 35 PERCENT FROM WHAT THEY DID IN 2001

16 TO 2002 TO CURRENT. AND OVER AT THE COUNTY-OPERATED HEALTH

17 CENTERS, WE'VE SEEN A DROP OF OVER 100,000 PATIENT VISITS. WHY

18 IT'S DROPPING IS UNCLEAR, BUT UNFORTUNATELY IT LOOKS LIKE THE

19 TREND IS WORSENING. HERE, THIS IS A CHART JUST FOCUSED ON

20 MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL. AND WHAT YOU CAN SEE IS WE'VE SET

21 A TARGET OF 190,000 VISITS THAT WE'RE HOPING TO REACH AT OUR

22 MAC. BUT IF YOU LOOK AT THE LAST FISCAL YEAR, WE REACH FAR

23 SHORT OF THAT, ALMOST 50,000 SHORT. WE JUST HIT 138,000 VISITS

24 THERE. AND UNFORTUNATELY WHEN YOU LOOK AT HOW WE'RE DOING,

25 MORE CURRENTLY IT LOOKS LIKE OUR PERFORMANCE IS EVEN FURTHER



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1 FROM WHAT OUR TARGETS ARE. THIS GREEN BAR REPRESENTS OUR
2 PERFORMANCE IN THIS CURRENT FISCAL YEAR BASED ON THE REGULAR
3 REPORTS THAT WE'VE BEEN RECEIVING ON HOW WE'RE DOING IN URGENT
4 CARE, SPECIALTY CARE AND PRIMARY CARE AT THE MAC. NOW, TO
5 REACH OUR 190,000 TARGET, WE WERE GOING TO HAVE TO DO MUCH
6 BETTER THAN WE WERE DOING LAST YEAR, BUT YOU CAN SEE RIGHT NOW
7 THAT WE'RE FALLING WAY BEHIND. WE TRIED TO FIGURE OUT WHAT'S
8 EXPLAINING THIS DROP? AND WE WENT BACK AND IN THE TESTIMONY IT
9 GOES INTO DETAIL THROUGH THE BEILENSEN-AUTHORIZED REDUCTIONS
10 THAT WERE SUPPOSED TO BE OCCURRING IN SPA 6. BUT THESE GO FAR
11 BEYOND ANY BEILENSEN-AUTHORIZED REDUCTIONS. FOR EXAMPLE, BACK
12 IN 2002, WE CUT PUBLIC HEALTH CENTERS. AND IN THE NOTICE, IT
13 SAID THAT THOSE REDUCTIONS WERE EXPECTED AND THOSE CLOSURES
14 WERE EXPECTED TO RESULT IN 53,000 LESS VISITS. BUT INSTEAD,
15 WHAT WE SEE WITH THOSE PUBLIC HEALTH CENTERS IN SPA 6 IS THAT
16 WE'RE SEEING MORE THAN 100,000 LESS VISITS BEING PROVIDED BY
17 THE PUBLIC HEALTH CENTERS IN SPA 6. SO EVEN IF WE MET OUR
18 190,000 AMBULATORY CARE TARGET, WE'D STILL BE PROVIDING MUCH
19 LESS CARE IN THIS COMMUNITY THAN WHAT WE'VE BEEN PROVIDING
20 PREVIOUSLY. AND MY PROPOSAL AND SUGGESTION IS GIVEN THESE
21 DISTURBING DOWNWARD TRENDS IN PRIMARY CARE, THE FACT THAT WE
22 HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO MEET OUR PROJECTIONS, THAT WE'VE GOT
23 REDUCED SERVICES AT HEALTH CENTERS ON TOP OF M.L.K., I
24 ENCOURAGE THE BOARD TO EXPAND THE CONTRACTS WITH THE P.P.P.
25 CLINICS WHICH ARE SERVING THAT COMMUNITY BECAUSE THEY'RE ABLE



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1 TO QUICKLY RAMP UP AND PROVIDE SERVICES. WE ALL WANT M.L.K. TO
2 BECOME A FULL SERVICE HOSPITAL, AND WE'RE DEDICATED TO HELP IT
3 REACH THAT GOAL. BUT IN THE MEANTIME, THERE'S THIS DISTURBING
4 AND ALARMING GAP WHICH HAS OCCURRED. AND THERE'S NOTHING THERE
5 TO BE MEETING IT. AND THE P.P.P.S COULD RAMP UP QUICKLY IN
6 ORDER TO FILL THAT VOID. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** MAY I ASK JUST ONE QUESTION?

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10 **YOLANDA VERA:** YES.

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12 **SUP. BURKE:** YOUR NUMBERS THERE, DO THEY INCLUDE THE P.P.P.S?

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14 **YOLANDA VERA:** THEY INCLUDE THE P.P.P.S. THE P.P.P.S ARE THIS
15 NUMBER HERE.

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17 **SUP. BURKE:** AT THE VERY TOP, RIGHT?

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19 **YOLANDA VERA:** THEY HAVE GONE UP MODESTLY OVER THE LAST FEW
20 YEARS, FROM THIS YEAR TO THIS YEAR, FOR EXAMPLE, THEY'VE GONE
21 UP 13,000, BUT NOT ENOUGH TO MAKE UP THE DROP WHICH HAS
22 OCCURRED AT THE COUNTY-OPERATED HEALTH CENTERS AND THE
23 HOSPITAL.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, THANK YOU, MISS VERA. NEXT IS
2 GLORIA RODRIGUEZ. AND BEFORE YOU GO, LET ME CALL UP CATHERINE
3 LEFKOWITZ. JIM LIEWER AND VIRGINIA FRANKLIN. MISS RODRIGUEZ?

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5 **GLORIA RODRIGUEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS GLORIA RODRIGUEZ.
6 I'M THE PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF THE COMMUNITY CLINIC
7 ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE'RE THE NONPROFIT
8 ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORTING AND STRENGTHENING THE COMMUNITY
9 CLINICS HERE IN LOS ANGELES. AS YOU KNOW, OUR MEMBERS COMPRISE
10 THE MAJORITY OF PARTICIPATING CLINICS IN THE VERY SUCCESSFUL
11 P.P.P. PROGRAM. I'M HERE TO TELL YOU THAT THE CLOSURE OF THE
12 HOSPITAL AND ITS OTHER SERVICES HAS HAD A DIRECT IMPACT ON THE
13 P.P.P.S. WE RECOGNIZE THAT THE COUNTY HAS WORKED VERY HARD TO
14 MITIGATE THIS IMPACT BY CONTRACTING WITH SURROUNDING HOSPITALS
15 AND CONTINUING TO OPERATE THE MAC AND THE URGENT CARE CLINIC.
16 HOWEVER, THE CLINICS HAVE SEEN A DIRECT IMPACT. IN ORDER TO
17 GAUGE THAT IMPACT, WE LOOKED AT CERTAIN ZIP CODES IN THE
18 M.L.K. SERVICE AREA FOR THE PERIOD OF TIME JUNE THROUGH AUGUST
19 IN 2006 AND 2007. WE CHOSE THOSE TIMEFRAMES TO MITIGATE ANY
20 IMPACT OF SEASONAL VARIATIONS. WHAT WE FOUND IS THAT THE
21 CLINICS IN SPA 6 REPORTED A 34% INCREASE IN THOSE MONTHS THIS
22 YEAR COMPARED TO LAST YEAR. THAT WAS A TOTAL INCREASE OF
23 11,086 PATIENTS. ON AN AVERAGE, THE CLINIC SAW AN INCREASE OF
24 1,584 ADDITIONAL PATIENTS FROM THOSE ZIP CODES. WE ALSO FOUND
25 THAT THIS WASN'T AN IMPACT JUST ON SPA 6. FOR INSTANCE, IN SPA



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1 4, NORTHEAST COMMUNITY CLINIC SAW 651 ADDITIONAL PATIENTS,
2 THAT'S A 30 PERCENT INCREASE. IN SPA 5, VENICE FAMILY CLINIC
3 SAW AN ADDITIONAL 116 PATIENTS, THAT'S A 37 PERCENT INCREASE.
4 IN SPA 7, ALTIMEDS RUGBY SITE IN HUNTINGTON PARK SAW 120
5 ADDITIONAL PATIENTS, THAT'S A 35 PERCENT INCREASE. AND IN SPA
6 8, SOUTH BAY FAMILY HEALTH CENTER SAW 508 ADDITIONAL PATIENTS.
7 THAT'S A 50 PERCENT INCREASE. THIS TREND CONCERNS US GREATLY
8 SINCE THE CLINICS HAVE HAD LITTLE ADDITIONAL CAPACITY. WHAT
9 THEY ARE HAVING TO DO IS EITHER BOOK APPOINTMENTS OUT OR TRY
10 TO ACCOMMODATE WITH WALK-INS. EVENTUALLY, NEW PATIENTS WILL
11 BEGIN TO BE DISPLACED BY-- WILL DISPLACE EXISTING PATIENTS.
12 OUR CURRENT CAPACITY NEEDS TO BE INCREASED, BUT THIS CAN'T BE
13 DONE WITHOUT ADDITIONAL RESOURCES. THE P.P.P.S HAVE PROVEN
14 THEMSELVES, AND IT IS OUR PATIENTS THAT WOULD BE ADMITTED INTO
15 THE NEW HOSPITAL. WE HOPE THAT ANY SOLUTION, THAT WE ARE PART
16 OF THAT SOLUTION. WE STAND READY TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE. AND
17 BECAUSE IT IS OUR PATIENTS THAT ARE DIRECTLY IMPACTED BY THESE
18 HOSPITALS SERVICES, WE HOPE THAT WE CAN BE AVAILABLE AND
19 INCLUDED IN THE SOLUTION AND THAT AMBULATORY CARE SERVICES ARE
20 LOOKED AT, NOT JUST THE HOSPITAL SERVICES.

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22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. CATHERINE LEFKOWITZ?

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24 **CATHERINE LEFKOWITZ:** MY NAME IS CATHERINE LEFKOWITZ. I'M A
25 REGISTERED NURSE. I'VE WORKED FOR THE COUNTY FOR 18 YEARS.



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1 SPENT TWO YEARS AT KING DREW. MY FIRST COMMENT IS THAT THIS
2 PUBLIC NOTICE SEEMS TO ME INCORRECT. THE CLOSURE OF KING IS A
3 LOSS OF 500 PLUS BEDS, NOT 50 BEDS. MY CONCERN IS ABOUT THE
4 CHILDREN. I WORK WITH AN EXTRAORDINARY GROUP OF DOCTORS AND
5 NURSES IN PEDIATRICS. WE SAW MANY CHILDREN WITH SERIOUS AND
6 ACUTE CHRONIC CONDITIONS IN WHICH TIME IS CRITICAL TO THEIR
7 CARE. THIS IS ASTHMA, SKIN INFECTIONS OF THE M.R.S.A. TYPE AND
8 TRAUMA WOUNDS. I WORRY, ARE THEY STILL RECEIVING PROMPT AND
9 EFFECTIVE CARE? THE CURRENT URGENT CARE WHICH I'VE SEEN
10 RECENTLY HAS BEEN REDUCED AND IS NOT SUFFICIENT FOR
11 PEDIATRICS. WHAT ARE THE ACTUAL NUMBER OF BEDS AVAILABLE FOR
12 WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN OF SPA 6? ARE THEY THE SAME NUMBER
13 THAT WAS CLOSED AT KING? IS THERE STILL THAT SAME NUMBER
14 AVAILABLE FOR THOSE PATIENTS? WE HAD APPROXIMATELY ABOUT 100
15 BEDS MIXED OF PEDIATRIC I.C.U., PEDIATRIC N.I.C.U. AND
16 M.L.N.D. SINCE MY SPECIALTY IS WOMEN, CHILDREN AND INFANTS, I
17 OFTEN SEE THEY HAVE SPECIAL UNIQUE NEEDS, OFTEN MARGINALIZED
18 AND DISMISSED. WE ARE CLOSING THE WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S
19 HOSPITAL AT LOS ANGELES COUNTY U.S.C. WHERE I'M CURRENTLY
20 WORKING AND MY SUGGESTION TO TURN KING DREW INTO A WOMEN'S AND
21 CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL. THANK YOU.

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23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. JIM LIEWER? AND CAN I ASK
24 TIMOTHY WATKINS, IS HE HERE? YOU'LL BE THE NEXT SPEAKER AFTER
25 THESE TWO. MR. LIEWER?



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2 **JIM LIEWER:** YES, THANKS, ZEV. MY NAME IS JIM LIEWER. I HAVE

3 CONSTANT PROBLEMS. MY DAD WAS IN THE ARMY IN WORLD WAR II WITH

4 JOE SLOVO. HE WAS THE HEAD OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN COMMUNIST

5 PARTY. AND I HAVE CONSTANT PROBLEMS WITH THE POLICE AND FIRE

6 DEPARTMENT PEOPLE. SOMETIMES THEY HOLD UP NEEDLES. THEY SAY

7 THEY'RE GOING TO STAB ME WITH NEEDLES WITH POSSIBLY SOME KIND

8 OF CHEMICAL OR A.I.D.S. IN IT. I WENT-- I GOT SICK, I WENT TO

9 HARBOR U.C.L.A. THEY JABBED ME WITH SOME KIND OF NEEDLE AND I

10 GOT SICK AGAIN. I WENT TO CANADA TO TRY TO GET HELP. I WAS

11 ARRESTED AT THE AIRPORT IN CANADA. THEY INJECTED ME AGAIN AT A

12 HOLDING CENTER. AND THEY FINALLY LET ME OUT AFTER ABOUT THREE

13 WEEKS. I WENT TO CUBA. I WAS ARRESTED AGAIN IN CUBA BY THE

14 C.I.A. THEY DIDN'T GIVE ME MEDICAL CARE. THEY DEPORTED ME TO

15 JAMAICA. JAMAICA DOESN'T HAVE A VERY GOOD HEALTHCARE SYSTEM. I

16 RETURNED BACK HERE AND I'M STILL TRYING TO GET HELP FROM

17 WHATEVER THEY INJECTED ME WITH AT THE HARBOR U.C.L.A. THIS IS

18 BASICALLY HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS. WHAT THEY'RE DOING IS THEY

19 ALSO ATTACK PEOPLE FROM ETHNIC GROUPS, INDIAN, CHINESE, BLACK

20 GROUPS, MEXICAN AMERICANS. THIS ORGANIZATION I'M DEALING WITH

21 IS ALSO CALLED ODESSA, WHICH IN GERMAN MEANS ORGANIZATION OF

22 FORMER S.S. MEMBERS. THEY HAVE TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS ON THE

23 POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT. AND THEY CONTACT PEOPLE AT COUNTY

24 HOSPITALS AND THEY THREATEN PEOPLE. I THINK THEY HAVE KILLED

25 PEOPLE IN THE PAST, I DON'T KNOW. THEY HAVE ACTUALLY TOLD ME



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1 THAT THEY CAN KILL ME AND INJECT ME WITH POISON. AND I HAVE
2 OTHER-- SINCE THIS ORGANIZATION IS PROBABLY REALLY RUN BY THE
3 C.I.A., I DON'T KNOW HOW TO GET HELP IN THE UNITED STATES. I
4 DON'T KNOW WHO TO TALK TO. HOW AM I GOING TO CONTACT SOMEONE
5 WHEN I'M DEALING WITH A POLICE TERRORIST ORGANIZATION THAT'S
6 ON THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, TOO? WHO SHOULD I TALK TO? THIS IS A
7 SERIOUS PROBLEM. IT NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED.

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9 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I UNDERSTAND IT'S A SERIOUS PROBLEM.
10 WHERE DO YOU LIVE?

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12 **JIM LIEWER:** I LIVE IN CARSON NOW.

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14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** PERHAPS--

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16 **SUP. BURKE:** PERHAPS DORIS CAN TALK TO YOU.

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18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY DON'T YOU STEP TO THE SIDE? SOMEBODY
19 WILL TALK TO YOU?

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21 **SUP. BURKE:** DO WE HAVE ANYONE FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
22 AVAILABLE?

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24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** VIRGINIA FRANKLIN?

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1 **VIRGINIA FRANKLIN:** YES. HELLO. MY NAME IS VIRGINIA FRANKLIN,
2 I'M A MEMBER OF SCOPE AND AGENDA IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. AND I'M
3 ALSO HERE WITH SOUTH LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY HEALTH LEADERSHIP
4 PROGRAM. WE ALL KNOW THAT THE TRAUMA CENTER IS VERY IMPORTANT.
5 WE NEED IT BACK OPEN. THE INPATIENT CARE. WE NEED THAT
6 IMMEDIATELY. MY MAIN FOCUS IS EDUCATION, OKAY? THIS IS KELLY.
7 AND HIS MOM WAS BORN AT MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOSPITAL. HE
8 WASN'T BECAUSE THE FACILITIES AVAILABLE AT THE TIME. BUT HIS
9 GREAT AUNT WAS AN EDUCATOR WHO WORKED AT SOUTHWEST COLLEGE.
10 AND SOMEONE MENTIONED HAWKINS, THE PSYCH, SHE TAUGHT
11 PSYCHIATRIC NURSING AT SOUTHWEST COLLEGE. THAT WAS MY MOM. SHE
12 PASSED AWAY IN '95. EXCUSE ME. BUT I REMEMBER HER TAKING HER
13 STUDENTS TO MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. HOSPITAL FOR THEIR
14 INTERNSHIP, BECAUSE SHE WOULD TAKE ME SOMETIMES TO GO WITH
15 HER. THIS WAS IN THE '80S. SHE WOULD TAKE ME WITH HER. SO
16 WHAT'S GOING TO GO ON WITH THE PARTNERSHIP? EXCUSE ME. WITH
17 THE PARTNERSHIP WITH KING DREW COLLEGE, OTHER COLLEGES,
18 SOUTHWEST, WHATEVER COLLEGES, WHERE ARE THESE STUDENT GOING TO
19 DO THEIR INTERNSHIPS? THAT WAS ONE OF MOTHER'S DREAMS WAS FOR
20 EDUCATION. THIS IS HIS FUTURE. HE HAS UNCLES, AUNTS, EVERYONE,
21 DOCTORS, LAWYERS, ALL OF THAT KIND OF STUFF AND NURSES. SO
22 WHEN HE WANTS TO GO TO SCHOOL, WHERE IS HE GOING TO DO HIS
23 INTERNSHIP, OKAY? WE HAVE TO START NOW FOR OUR CHILDREN, FOR
24 OUR GRANDCHILDREN'S FUTURE. AND FOR GOOD QUALITY HOSPITALS,



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1 GOOD QUALITY EDUCATION, GOOD QUALITY HOSPITALS ONCE AGAIN AND
2 A GREEN INDUSTRY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** MAY I JUST RESPOND TO ONE THING THAT I DON'T THINK
7 HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED TO PEOPLE. THERE HAS BEEN LEGISLATION
8 THAT'S BEEN INTRODUCED IN CONGRESS TO MAINTAIN THESE RESIDENTS
9 SLOTS SO THAT THERE WOULD NOT BE A LOSS OF THOSE RESIDENCIES
10 IN THE FUTURE. AND THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT. IT HASN'T BEEN
11 PASSED YET BUT IT'S PENDING. AND THAT'S ONE OF THE THINGS
12 WE'RE TRYING TO PUSH TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT LEGISLATION
13 PASSES. IF IT DOESN'T, IF IT DOESN'T PASS, THE PRESENT LAW IS
14 ANY RESIDENCIES ARE LOST. THEY'RE GONE.

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16 **VIRGINIA FRANKLIN:** BUT THEY'RE NOT THERE NOW.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** WE HAVE THE BILL PENDING IN CONGRESS. AND OUR
19 CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION IS WORKING ON IT. AND WE HAVE EVERY
20 BELIEF THAT IT'S GOING TO PASS. BUT WE FEEL THAT THOSE WILL.
21 AND IF WE COULD MAINTAIN THOSE, IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR
22 WHATEVER HOSPITAL OPENS UP OR WHATEVER ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE,
23 THOSE RESIDENCY SLOTS WOULD BE MAINTAINED.

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25 **VIRGINIA FRANKLIN:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** HE'S GOT A GOOD FUTURE AHEAD OF HIM.
3 NOTHING FAZES HIM. CUTE LITTLE KID. MR. WATKINS?

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5 **TIMOTHY WATKINS:** YES, I'M TIM WATKINS IF THE WATTS LABOR
6 COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE. AND I GUESS I CAME TODAY SIMPLY TO
7 ENJOY THE PRIVILEGE OF BEING ABLE TO EXPRESS MY SENTIMENTS
8 ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENED HERE. SOMEONE ASKED ME AT MY OFFICE WHY
9 I WAS GOING DOWN, WHAT WAS MY EXPECTATION? I SAID I DON'T
10 REALLY HAVE AN EXPECTATION OTHER THAN TO EXPRESS MYSELF. I'M
11 DEEPLY, PROFOUNDLY SADDENED BY WHAT I SEE IN THAT FOUR YEARS.
12 THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE HAVE RALLIED TO THE SUPPORT
13 OF THE HOSPITAL, AND I KNOW THAT ALL FIVE SUPERVISORS CAME
14 TOGETHER WITH AN EFFORT TO TRY TO BRING WHATEVER RESOURCES TO
15 BEAR IN ORDER TO CAUSE THIS HOSPITAL TO TURN INTO A DRAMATIC
16 SUCCESS STORY. BUT WHEN I LOOK BEHIND ME AND I SEE THE LACK OF
17 PARTICIPATION IN THE AUDIENCE, I UNDERSTAND THAT JUST WHAT I
18 PREDICTED TWO YEARS AGO, IT'S WHAT HAS COME ABOUT, IS THAT
19 PEOPLE THAT ARE ALREADY HUNGRY, AND SOMEWHAT ILLITERATE,
20 JOBLESS, HOMELESS AND IN POOR HEALTH, HAVE BEEN EXHAUSTED BY
21 THE BATTLE, THAT THEY'RE NO LONGER ABLE TO COME FORWARD TO THE
22 FOREFRONT AND ADVOCATE FOR WHAT THEY THINK IS IN THE BEST
23 INTEREST OF THEIR COMMUNITY. AND WHEN WE GO TO THE COMMUNITY
24 HEARINGS, WHEN WE WENT RECENTLY TO THE TOWN HALL WITH THE
25 H.A.M.S. CONSULTING GROUP AND ASKED THE QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT'S



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1 GOING TO HAPPEN WITH THE INDIGENT? WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN WITH
2 THE TEACHING? WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN FOR PATIENTS THAT CAN'T
3 WAIT FOR THIS TAKEOVER BECAUSE THE DISTANCE TO OUTLYING
4 HOSPITALS IS TOO LONG AND TAKING THEIR LIVES? I JUST, YOU
5 KNOW, WOULD ASK OF YOU THAT ALTHOUGH I KNOW YOU HAVE TO REMAIN
6 STOIC BEHIND A CALM VENEER AS THIS GOES ON, TO THINK ABOUT
7 YOUR BEAUTIFUL DAUGHTERS AND YOUR WONDERFUL SONS AND YOUR
8 SPOUSES AND THINK ABOUT THEM RIDING IN THE BACK OF AN
9 AMBULANCE TO A HOSPITAL THAT ISN'T READY TO RECEIVE THEM, AND
10 WHAT KIND OF HARDSHIP THAT CREATES, THAT THE PEOPLE OF WATTS
11 AND THE NEARBY COMMUNITIES THAT THAT HOSPITAL SERVES ARE NO
12 LESS DEAR TO THEIR LOVED ONES. AND SO I JUST WANTED TO EXPRESS
13 THAT TODAY.

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15 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. WATKINS. [APPLAUSE.]

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17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE NO OTHER CARDS. SO BEFORE WE GO
18 ANY FURTHER WITH OUR BOARD DISCUSSION, I JUST WANTED TO
19 UNDERSTAND WHAT IS REQUIRED OF US?

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21 **SPEAKER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THE ONLY THING THAT IS REQUIRED IS THAT
22 YOU CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. THERE IS NO ACTION REQUIRED
23 TODAY. YOU CAN HAVE YOUR DISCUSSION AND PROVIDE WHATEVER
24 INSTRUCTION YOU WOULD LIKE TO THE DEPARTMENT.

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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. I JUST WANT TO MAKE A COUPLE OF
2 COMMENTS AND OBSERVATIONS ABOUT WHERE WE ARE. AND SOMEBODY
3 SAID EARLIER IN THE MEETING THEY DIDN'T WANT TO LOOK BACK. I
4 THINK THAT'S A HEALTHY THING. I THINK WE HAVE PLENTY TO LOOK
5 AHEAD TO AND PLENTY OF CHALLENGES AHEAD OF US. TO GET THE
6 HOSPITAL OPENED IN THE A WAY THAT MEETS THE COMMUNITY'S
7 EXPECTATIONS AND FRANKLY THIS BOARD'S EXPECTATIONS IS GOING TO
8 BE CHALLENGE ENOUGH WITHOUT REHASHING EVERYTHING THAT'S GONE
9 ON. BUT I DO THINK THERE ARE TWO THINGS I WANT TO OBSERVE. IN
10 THE WHOLE COUNTY FAMILY, IN ITS OWN INIMITABLE WAY DID
11 EVERYTHING IT POSSIBLY COULD TO KEEP THE FACILITY OPEN WHILE
12 WE TRIED TO FIX IT. AND FIXING IT NEEDED. AND I DON'T THINK WE
13 SHOULD EVER FORGET THAT, THAT ALL OF THE STATISTICS WHILE
14 THEY'RE VERY POWERFUL AND PREDICTABLE, I DON'T THINK ANYBODY
15 THOUGHT THAT YOU CLOSE A HOSPITAL AND AN EMERGENCY ROOM AND
16 THERE WILL BE NO IMPACTS. THERE ARE GOING TO BE IMPACTS. AND
17 OUR CHALLENGE IS GOING TO BE IN THE INTERIM PERIOD TO MANAGE
18 THAT IMPACT. BUT CLEARLY THE BOARD MADE-- THE COUNTY MADE A
19 VERY SIGNIFICANT EFFORT TO TRY TO KEEP THE HOSPITAL OPEN WHILE
20 WE FIXED IT. AND WE DIDN'T MAKE IT. WE FELL SHORT OF THE MARK.
21 AND IT WAS A GREAT DISAPPOINTMENT TO ME PERSONALLY AND I THINK
22 TO EVERY MEMBER OF THIS BOARD PERSONALLY AND PROFESSIONALLY.
23 THERE'S NO QUESTION ABOUT IT. BUT AT THE SAME TIME, WE HAD
24 SOME FIXING TO DO. AND THAT'S CLEARLY WHY THE HOSPITAL DIDN'T
25 SURVIVE. THE SECOND THING IS THAT I THINK THAT WE NEED TO



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1 FOCUS ON WHAT IS THE RECONSTRUCTION OF HEALTHCARE DELIVERY IN
2 SPA 6 IN THAT WHOLE AREA AS IT REVOLVES AROUND NOT ONLY MARTIN
3 LUTHER KING HOSPITAL BUT THE AMBULATORY CARE AND ALL THE
4 COMPONENT PARTS OF HEALTHCARE DELIVERY. THAT WAS ADDRESSED BY
5 DR. ROSS AT THE OUTSET OF THE PUBLIC HEARING, ADDRESSED BY
6 SUPERVISOR BURKE AT THE OUTSET OF THE MEETING AND IT'S BEEN
7 ADDRESSED BY A NUMBER OF OTHER PEOPLE. LYNN KERSEY AND OTHERS.
8 THERE HAS GOT TO BE A FOCUS. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT HAS
9 BECAME CLEAR TO US-- AND I'LL CERTAINLY SPEAK FOR MYSELF ON
10 THIS-- IS THAT HOSPITAL OR NO HOSPITAL, THE OTHER OUTCOMES IN
11 SPA 6 IN SOUTHERN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE WOEFULLY INADEQUATE
12 AND ARE A FUNCTION NOT JUST OF THE HOSPITAL SITUATION. AND
13 THEY PREDATE THE CLOSURE OF THE HOSPITAL AS I THINK MISS
14 KERSEY INDICATED, BUT THEY DEAL WITH THE BROADER ISSUE OF HOW
15 ARE WE PROVIDING ACCESS TO OUR CLIENTELE TO SERVICES? AND WHY
16 AREN'T WE ABLE TO GET THOSE NUMBERS, THOSE OUTCOMES UP? AND
17 IT'S A CHALLENGE THAT NEEDS TO-- THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO
18 ADDRESS NOT JUST THE HOSPITAL BUT THE INTEGRATED HEALTHCARE
19 DELIVERY SYSTEM OF THE HOSPITAL, THE AMBULATORY CARE AND THE
20 WHOLE NINE YARDS. AND I HOPE THAT'S WHAT WE WILL DO. I KNOW
21 WE'VE DISCUSSED THAT AS A BOARD. I KNOW THAT DR. CHERNOF HAS
22 DISCUSSED IT, OUR C.E.O. IS FOCUSED ON IT. I THINK WE'RE ALL
23 FOCUSED ON MAKING AN OUTCOME THAT IS BETTER THAN-- FAR BETTER
24 THAN WHAT WE LEFT IT AND HOPEFULLY BETTER THAN IT EVER WAS IN
25 THE LIFETIME OF THAT HOSPITAL. AND IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY. EVERY



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1 CHALLENGE IS AN OPPORTUNITY. SO WE'RE FOCUSED ON IT. AND I
2 THINK THERE ARE SOME BETTER WAYS AND SOME LESS BETTER WAYS TO
3 ACHIEVE THAT. AND I JUST HOPE THAT WE'LL BE ABLE TO ENGAGE A
4 PARTNER WHO SHARES OUR VISION AND WHO SHARES OUR MISSION AND
5 THE MISSION OF THE CLINICS ASSOCIATION AND THE MISSION OF
6 THOSE WHO SPOKE HERE TODAY, WHO ADVOCATE ON BEHALF OF THOSE
7 WHO ARE LARGELY VOICELESS IN THIS WHOLE PROCESS. SO THIS IS
8 AWKWARD HEARING. IT'S A BEILENSEN, AFTER THE FACT. WE DID IT,
9 FRANKLY WE SCHEDULED IT BECAUSE WE WERE REQUIRED TO. BUT I
10 DON'T THINK IT'S BEEN A TOTAL WASTE OF EVERYBODY'S TIME
11 BECAUSE I THINK IT HAS FOCUSED SOME INTELLECTUAL ENERGY ON
12 WHERE WE'RE GOING. STARTING WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENTS
13 REPORT, WHICH WE SHOULD DEFINITELY INTEGRATE INTO OUR
14 THINKING, AND ALSO THE DATA THAT HAS BEEN BROUGHT FORWARD HERE
15 TODAY, WHILE IT'S PREDICTABLE AND NOT UNEXPECTED, IT GIVES US
16 KIND OF A ROAD MAP OF WHAT WE'VE LOST, WHAT WE NEED TO
17 RECREATE AND HOW WE BUILD ON THAT TO EXPAND TO A BETTER SYSTEM
18 OVERALL AND GET BETTER OUTCOMES. SO I ACTUALLY THINK-- WHILE
19 AT FIRST I THOUGHT THAT HOLDING A BEILENSEN HEARING ON THIS
20 WAS SILLY, I DON'T THINK IT WAS SILLY. I THINK IT'S GIVEN US
21 AN OPPORTUNITY TO THINK AHEAD. WHICH IS NOT WHAT BEILENSEN WAS
22 INTENDED TO DO. IT'S TO PREDICT WHAT WAS GOING TO HAPPEN IF
23 YOU CLOSE. NOW I THINK IT'S PREDICT WHERE WE HAVE TO GO WHEN
24 WE REOPEN. AND IT SERVED ITS PURPOSE. SO JUST FOR MY-- I'LL
25 CONCLUDE WITH THIS. FOR MY POINT OF VIEW, THANK YOU FOR THE



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1 TESTIMONY FROM EVERYBODY WHO IS HERE AND SOME WHO HAVE HAD TO
2 LEAVE, I THINK IT'S BEEN VERY CONSTRUCTIVE AND USEFUL.
3 SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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5 **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK MR. KNABE HAD BEEN WAITING TO SPEAK. BUT I
6 WOULD LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED WHEN HE CONCLUDES.

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8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** AFTER MR. KNABE.

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10 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST THINK-- I MEAN OBVIOUSLY THE CONCENTRATED
11 EFFORT HERE BECAUSE IT'S A BEILENSEN REGARDING M.L.K. IS ON
12 SPA 6, BUT I THINK AS WE LOOK FORWARD, THE IMPACTS ROLL OVER
13 SPAS 4 AND 5. I MEAN, THERE'S A WHOLE DELIVERY SYSTEM THAT HAS
14 BEEN IMPACTED BY THE CLOSURE OF THIS EMERGENCY ROOM, AND
15 PARTICULARLY AFFECTS OBVIOUSLY SUPERVISOR BURKE'S DISTRICT BUT
16 MINE, AS WELL, TOO, IN THAT WHOLE 105 CORRIDOR. SO IT'S
17 SOMETHING THAT GIVES US SOME OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AHEAD, BUT
18 OBVIOUSLY THE IMPACTS, UNFORTUNATELY, ARE MUCH GREATER THAN
19 JUST SPA 6, AS WELL, TOO.

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21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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23 **SUP. BURKE:** I WANT TO SEE SOME REACTION BY THE HEALTH
24 DEPARTMENT TO SOME OF THE INFORMATION WE'VE RECEIVED TODAY,
25 PARTICULARLY THIS CASE OF WHERE THIS WOMAN HAD TO GO TO



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1 GARDENA HOSPITAL I FIND VERY TROUBLING. WE HAVE BEEN TOLD OVER
2 AND OVER AGAIN THAT THE PARAMEDICS ARE TAKING PEOPLE TO
3 HOSPITALS, THAT IF SOMEONE COMES TO M.L.K., THAT THERE'S
4 TRANSPORTATION TO ANOTHER HOSPITAL FOR THEM. THAT IT'S AN
5 ORDERLY PROCESS. I RECEIVED A LETTER TODAY OF SOMEONE WHO WENT
6 FROM ONE PLACE TO THE OTHER AND FINALLY WHEN THEY GOT TO
7 HARBOR, THEY GOT THERE AT 3 P.M., IT WAS 2 A.M. BEFORE A
8 PERSON WHO WAS THREATENING A HEART ATTACK WAS SEEN. SO WE NEED
9 TO GET A RESPONSE. AND I'D LIKE TO ASK A REPORT BACK ON SOME
10 OF THE CASES THAT ARE LISTED HERE. BECAUSE SOMEHOW I THINK
11 THEY ARE NOT GETTING TO US. EXACTLY WHAT'S HAPPENING AS FAR AS
12 THE TRANSPORTATION, THE AVAILABILITY OF SERVICE. AND LET'S GET
13 A RESPONSE. WHEN THERE IS A HOSPITAL IN DIVERSION, DO
14 PARAMEDICS SAY TO THE PERSON: "WELL, JUST GET IN YOUR CAR AND
15 GO SOMEWHERE ELSE?" I'D LIKE TO FIND OUT ABOUT THAT, AND I
16 THINK WE SHOULD GET A REPORT ON IT.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** CAN I JUST ADD, TOO? I THINK IN ADDITION TO THAT,
19 I WOULD LIKE A RESPONSE FROM THE DEPARTMENT AS RELATED TO THE
20 ONE ISSUE THAT I THINK WAS RAISED BY LYNN, AND THAT WAS THE
21 ISSUE IN REGARDS TO THE MARKETING PROGRAM THAT'S SUPPOSED TO
22 END AT THE END OF THIS MONTH AND WHETHER OR NOT--

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** COULD WE GET BRUCE BACK, DR. CHERNOF?

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** DR. CHERNOF MIGHT WANT TO ADDRESS THAT PARTICULAR
2 ISSUE.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** IS CAROL MYERS HERE, TOO?

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6 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISORS, ON THE QUESTION ABOUT THE
7 MARKETING CAMPAIGN, THE MARKETING CAMPAIGN IN THE CONTINGENCY
8 PLAN IS OVER THIS MONTH. THAT IS A TRUE STATEMENT. WE'VE
9 COMPLETED THE LAYOUT THAT WAS APPROVED BY YOUR BOARD. AND WE
10 CAN SEE SOME OF THE IMPACTS OF IT, WHICH IS WE ARE SEEING
11 DAILY INCREASES OF THE URGENT CARE. SO WE KNOW THAT THE
12 MESSAGE HAS HAD PENETRATION. ARE THERE OTHER OPPORTUNITIES TO
13 COMMUNICATE? YES. ARE WE LOOKING AT THEM? YES. I'D BE GLAD TO
14 COME BACK IN FRONT OF YOUR BOARD AND MAKE SOME ADDITIONAL
15 RECOMMENDATIONS. I'D MAKE THE OBSERVATION THAT THE PRIMARY
16 SOURCE OF PATIENTS IN THE SPECIALTY CLINICS HAS TRADITIONALLY
17 BEEN THE HOSPITAL AND THE EMERGENCY ROOM, AS HAS BEEN POINTED
18 OUT BY SOME OF THE SPEAKERS HERE TODAY. AND WITHOUT THE
19 HOSPITAL AND THE EMERGENCY ROOM, THE NORMAL SOURCE OF PATIENTS
20 FOR SOME OF THOSE CLINICS IS NOT THERE. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT
21 WE'RE DOING WITH THE IMPACTED HOSPITAL PROGRAM, CAROL MYERS
22 AND OTHERS ON MY TEAM, IS LOOKING AT HOW WE BETTER IMPROVE,
23 HOW WE GET PEOPLE BACK INTO SERVICE ONCE THEY'RE DISCHARGED
24 FROM IMPACTED HOSPITALS, AND I DO THINK WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY
25 TO TAKE MORE PATIENTS WHO NEED SPECIALTY SERVICES FROM THE



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1 COMMUNITY CLINICS WHO PREDOMINANTLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY DO
2 PRIMARY AND PRIMARY CARE-RELATED SERVICES. WE HAVE LOOKED AT
3 THAT AS PART OF THE RESTRUCTURING OF THE MAC. AND I THINK THAT
4 IS ONE OF THE VERY IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITIES IS TO REORIENT THE
5 FRONT DOOR OF THE MAC FROM HAVING A HOSPITAL, WHICH WAS THE
6 TRADITIONAL FRONT DOOR FOR THE SPECIALTY CLINICS, TO BEING
7 MORE ABLE AND MORE RESPONSIVE TO TAKING PATIENTS FROM
8 COMMUNITY CLINICS, FROM PRIVATE HOSPITALS AND OTHER SOURCES IN
9 THE COMMUNITY. SO THIS IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE REIMAGINING
10 OF CARE IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES WHILE WE GO THROUGH THE PROCESS
11 OF REOPENING THE HOSPITAL, WHICH IS YOUR BOARD'S CLEAR
12 GUIDANCE TO THE DEPARTMENT AND THE WORK THAT'S IN FRONT OF US.
13 SUPERVISOR BURKE, WITH RESPECT TO THE CASES, WE'D BE GLAD TO
14 LOOK AT SPECIFIC INSTANCES.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D ALSO LIKE TO HEAR ABOUT THE APPOINTMENTS, HOW
17 LONG IT TAKES TO GET THE APPOINTMENTS IN THE CLINICS.

18

19 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SURE.

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21 **SUP. BURKE:** WE WENT THROUGH THIS A FEW YEARS BACK. AT ONE
22 POINT EVERYONE WAS GIVEN THE APPOINTMENT TO COME AT 10
23 O'CLOCK. WE SAID, "LET'S HAVE APPOINTMENTS DURING THE DAY SO
24 THAT PEOPLE HAVE A TIME THAT THEY'RE COMING, THEY DON'T HAVE
25 TO COME AND SIT THERE ALL DAY." I THOUGHT THAT THOSE THINGS



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1 HAD BEEN TAKEN CARE OF. WE ALSO FOUND THAT FOR SOME OF THE
2 PROCEDURES, IT WAS LIKE SIX MONTHS, YOU HAD A GALLBLADDER
3 PROBLEM. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I THOUGHT WHEN WE WENT FORWARD
4 WITH THE MAC WAS THAT THERE WOULD BE SHORTER PERIODS OF TIME
5 IN TERMS OF APPOINTMENTS TO GET SOME OF THESE PROCEDURES. I'D
6 LIKE TO GET A REPORT BACK IN TERMS OF HOW LONG IT TAKES FOR
7 APPOINTMENTS FOR SOME OF THOSE BASIC PROCEDURES.

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9 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** ABSOLUTELY, SUPERVISOR. TO THAT POINT, WE
10 ARE, AND THE C.E.O. STAFF IS REVIEWING WITH MY DEPARTMENT THE
11 WORK OF THE H.M.A., BECAUSE THE FIRST STEP AS WE'VE ALWAYS
12 TALKED ABOUT WITH RESPECT TO THE MAC, THE FIRST STEP WAS TO
13 TRANSFER APPROPRIATE EMPLOYEES THAT WERE NO LONGER NEEDED TO
14 RUN THE HOSPITAL, SINCE THERE WAS NO LONGER A HOSPITAL. THE
15 NEXT STEP HAS ALWAYS BEEN TO RE-ENGINEER, NOT MY FAVORITE WORD
16 IN THE DEPARTMENT, BUT RESTRUCTURE THE OPERATING PROCEDURES AT
17 M.L.K. TO MAKE THE CLINICS MORE EFFICIENT. NOW, MANY OF THE
18 QUESTIONS YOU RAISED, SUPERVISOR BURKE, WE'LL BE GLAD TO
19 ANSWER IN WRITING. IMPORTANT CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE TO HOW THE
20 CLINICS ARE STRUCTURED. THERE ARE SPECIALTY CLINICS THAT
21 CONTINUE TO HAVE LONG WAITS IN SOME CASES. AND ONE OF THE
22 BODIES OF WORK THAT WE'VE ASKED H.M.A. TO DO, AND WOULD BE
23 PART OF THE NEXT PHASE OF WORK, IS TO LOOK AT WAYS OF MAKING
24 THOSE CLINICS MORE EFFICIENT, SO YOU CAN SEE MORE PATIENTS
25 WITH THE SAME OR POTENTIALLY LESS EMPLOYEES, DEPENDING ON WHAT



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1 THE CLINICAL STRUCTURE LOOKS LIKE AND WHAT IS NEEDED. WE'LL BE
2 COMING BACK TO THE BOARD WITH THAT INFORMATION INFORMATION. WE
3 DO NEED TO IMPROVE EFFICIENCY, AND THAT IS A WAY TO GET US
4 BACK TO THE 190,000 VISIT MARK THAT WE SET FOR OURSELVES.

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL TO SEE HOW THE
7 APPOINTMENT SYSTEM COMPARES WITH OTHER HOSPITALS, FOR
8 INSTANCE, OUTPATIENT, FOR INSTANCE U.S.C. HAS A NEW
9 APPOINTMENT SYSTEM.

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11 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** AND MORE THAN THAT, ONE OF THE THINGS WE
12 EXPECT OUT OF THE H.M.A. REPORT IS TO GIVE US SOME NATIONAL
13 BENCHMARKS THAT I THINK THAT GET US JUST OUTSIDE OF OUR OWN
14 SYSTEM. WHILE I THINK WE HAVE MUCH TO BE PROUD OF AT SOME OF
15 OUR OTHER HOSPITALS, WE HAVE DONE IMPORTANT WORK, RE-
16 ENGINEERING OUR CLINICS AT A NUMBER OF OUR FACILITIES, AND I
17 HAVE GREAT RESPECT FOR THE FOLKS AT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. WHO
18 HAVE MADE TREMENDOUS STRIDES PREPARING TO MOVE INTO THE
19 HOSPITAL. SO I THINK WE HAVE MUCH TO BE PROUD OF IN OUR
20 SYSTEM, BUT WE'VE ASKED H.M.A. TO TAKE A LOOK BEYOND JUST THAT
21 BECAUSE I THINK LOOKING AT NATIONAL STANDARDS FOR PRODUCTIVITY
22 AND PERFORMANCE ARE IMPORTANT HERE.

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24 **SUP. BURKE:** I UNDERSTAND THAT KATHY IS HERE TO RESPOND.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** CAN I JUST GO BACK TO MY ORIGINAL QUESTION ABOUT
2 THE MARKETING AND SORT OF SWITCH SUBJECTS THERE. SO IS THERE
3 ANY INTENTION, THEN, TO CONTINUE THAT PROGRAM SINCE THERE'S
4 STILL ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT?

5

6 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** AT THIS POINT, SUPERVISOR, WE'VE JUST
7 COMPLETED THIS ROUND AND MY STAFF IS LOOKING AT TARGETED
8 OPPORTUNITIES TO CONTINUE COMMUNICATIONS, AND I WILL BE BACK
9 IN FRONT OF YOUR BOARD WITH--

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** NOVEMBER 1ST IS THIS WEEK. YOU DON'T WANT TO DROP
12 IT OFF FOR 30 DAYS AND REINSTITUTE IT IF YOU'VE GOT SOMETHING
13 GOOD GOING. HOPEFULLY THERE'S SOME IMMEDIACY TO, WHATEVER
14 THEY'RE LOOKING AT, TO SEE IF IT'S WORTHWHILE TO MOVE FORWARD
15 QUICKLY

16

17 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** YES, SUPERVISOR.

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19 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ANY OTHER DISCUSSION?

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21 **SUP. BURKE:** COULD WE GET A RESPONSE?

22

23 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OH, I'M SORRY. GO AHEAD.

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1 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR BURKE, AS DR. CHERNOF SAID, THE E.M.S.
2 AGENCY WILL LOOK INTO THE INDIVIDUAL CASES. THAT WOULD BE
3 CONSIDERED AN ABERRANCY AND SOMETHING WE WOULD LOOK INTO AND
4 INVESTIGATE. WE'D BE HAPPY TO.

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** AND IF WE HAVE THE CASE, WE SHOULD HAVE, WHAT
7 PARAMEDICS RESPONDED.

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9 **SPEAKER:** YES.

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11 **SUP. BURKE:** AND I THINK WE SHOULD ASK THEM ABOUT THAT.

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13 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I THINK, SUPERVISOR, WE NEED TO LOOK AT THE
14 CASE--

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16 **SUP. BURKE:** WE KNOW DIVERSIONS OCCUR. WE REALIZE IT.
17 PARTICULARLY NOW WE HAVE A LOT OF DIVERSIONS. A LOT OF
18 HOSPITALS ARE IN DIVERSION. ST. FRANCIS TELLS US THEY'RE ON
19 DIVERSION AN AWFUL LOT OF THE TIME. WHAT DO WE DO IN THOSE
20 CASES. THAT'S WHAT I THINK WE REALLY HAVE TO FIND OUT. AND
21 WE'RE FACED POSSIBLY WITH TWO MORE LOSSES OF HOSPITALS. IT'S
22 NOT GOING TO GET EASIER.

23



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1 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR, LET US LOOK AT THE CASE. THE
2 DESCRIPTION AS KATHY DESCRIBED FEELS LIKE THERE'S SOME
3 UNANSWERED QUESTIONS AND WE SHOULD THOROUGHLY REVIEW THE CASE.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** AND THERE ARE OTHERS IN THERE, OF COURSE. WE'LL
6 HAVE A CHANCE TO GO THROUGH THAT AND SEE THAT, AND I'M SHARING
7 ALL OF THOSE LETTERS I GET.

8

9 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR, WE APPRECIATE THAT, BECAUSE THE
10 WAY WE SOLVE PROBLEMS IS IF THERE'S A SPECIFIC CASE, WE FOLLOW
11 UP ON THEM, AND WE'RE PROUD OF THE E.M.S. PROVIDERS, THEY'VE
12 DONE A GOOD JOB IN WHAT ARE VERY DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES, AND
13 IF THERE IS A SPECIFIC CASE WHERE THERE'S AN ISSUE, WE'LL WORK
14 WITH THEM.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU.

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18 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** YES.

19

20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. ANY OTHER-- WE HAVE ONE MORE
21 PERSON WANT TO BE HEARD. APRIL LAWRENCE? IS APRIL LAWRENCE
22 HERE? AND THAT'LL BE THE LAST SPEAKER.

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24 **APRIL LAWRENCE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS APRIL
25 LAWRENCE. I'M STAFF MEMBER FOR CONGRESSWOMAN MAXINE WATERS,



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1 AND I'M HERE TO BRING A MESSAGE FROM HER TODAY. UNFORTUNATELY,
2 SHE'S UNABLE TO BE HERE. SHE'S IN WASHINGTON, D.C. VOTING. HER
3 MESSAGE IS PRETTY MUCH IN HOPES OF GETTING THE HOSPITAL
4 REOPENED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. IT READS, "THE UNFORTUNATE
5 CLOSING OF MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL WAS A TERRIBLE BLOW TO
6 THE COMMUNITIES IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. OVER THE PAST THREE
7 YEARS, RESIDENTS OF SOUTH LOS ANGELES WERE FORCED TO ADAPT TO
8 THE SYSTEMATIC DOWNSIZING OF SERVICES AT THE MEDICAL CENTER.
9 BEGINNING WITH THE TRAUMA CENTER, WHICH WAS CLOSED, A
10 NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED TRAUMA CENTER, THE BEDS BEING DOWNSIZED,
11 NEONATAL BEING CLOSED, THE EMERGENCY ROOM BEING CLOSED, AND
12 THEN FINALLY NO BEDS AT ALL IN THE CLOSING OF THE HOSPITAL,
13 LEAVING ONLY AN ASSORTMENT OF CLINICAL SERVICES. THEY HAVE
14 ENDURED LONGER WAITS FOR SERVICES AND, IN SOME CASES, THEY
15 HAVE HAD TO COPE WITH UNREASONABLE TRAVEL TIMES TO MORE
16 DISTANT FACILITIES TO OBTAIN SERVICES. WE'RE STILL NOT CLEAR
17 AS TO WHETHER OR NOT PEOPLE ARE TRAVELING AS FAR AS TO
18 CALIFORNIA HOSPITAL FOR SERVICES. IF YOU RECALL, WHEN THE
19 HOSPITAL WAS BUILT, U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER WAS DEEMED TOO FAR
20 FOR THEM TO GO. ST. FRANCIS HOSPITAL, WE KNOW, IS PRETTY MUCH
21 OVER SUBSCRIBED FOR SERVICES. THEY CAN'T HANDLE THE VOLUME
22 THAT'S BEING DIRECTED WITH THE CLOSURE OF THE HOSPITAL. THE
23 PLIGHT OF POOR, UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED RESIDENTS OF LOS
24 ANGELES SEEMS TO HAVE REVERTED TO THE TIME BEFORE THE WATTS
25 UPRISING AND THE MCCONE COMMISSION REPORT. TODAY, THE DEGREE



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1 OF UNMET HEALTH-RELATED NEED IN SERVICE PLANNING AREA 6 IS
2 GREATER THAN THE NEED IDENTIFIED IN THE MCCOMB COMMISSION'S
3 REPORT. ALMOST EVERY HEALTH STATUS INDICATOR DEMONSTRATES IF
4 THE COMMUNITY SURROUNDING MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL HAS A
5 DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE OF DISEASE BURDEN WHEN COMPARED WITH
6 THE OTHER AREAS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SPA 6, COVERED BY
7 MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL, HAS THE MOST POOR PEOPLE, THOSE
8 WITH INCOMES BELOW 200 PERCENT OF POVERTY, BUT YET HAS THE
9 FEWEST ACUTE HOSPITAL BEDS PER 1,000 POPULATION. SOUTH LOS
10 ANGELES RESIDENTS FACE REMARKABLE HEALTH DISPARITIES,
11 INCLUDING THE HIGHEST RATES OF OBESITY, HYPERTENSION CANCER
12 MORTALITY, STROKE MORTALITY, DIABETES MORTALITY AND HEART
13 DISEASE MORTALITY. THE AREA HAS THE HIGHEST RATE OF UNINSURED
14 CHILDREN, AND MORE THAN 37 PERCENT OF THE ADULTS ARE
15 UNINSURED. FURTHER, THE AREA HAS THE LEAST NUMBER OF SPECIALTY
16 POSITIONS GIVEN THE POPULATION. WE ALL KNOW THAT THE HOSPITAL
17 ESSENTIALLY CLOSED BECAUSE C.M.S. WAS NO LONGER ABLE TO FUND
18 SERVICES THERE. WHEN DR. CHERNOF, THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT
19 OF HEALTH SERVICES DIRECTOR, SURRENDERED THE HOSPITAL'S
20 LICENSE TO THE STATE, WE WERE TOLD THAT THE SURRENDER WOULD
21 MAKE IT EASIER TO REOPEN THE HOSPITAL AND THAT THE TARGET
22 REOPENING WOULD BE 18 MONTHS. WE SINCERELY HOPE THAT THE LOS
23 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ALONG WITH THE DEPARTMENT
24 OF HEALTH SERVICES, WILL HONOR THE 18-MONTH TIME LINE TO
25 REOPEN THE HOSPITAL. EVERY DAY THAT THE HOSPITAL IS CLOSED



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1 LEAVES AN AT-RISK COMMUNITY AT GREATER RISK OF LOSING A DEGREE
2 OF QUALITY OF LIFE BECAUSE OF THE ABSENCE OF IMMEDIATE
3 EMERGENCY CARE AND THE LIMITED ACCESS TO PREVENTATIVE AND
4 MAINTENANCE HEALTHCARE. WE DISAGREE THAT THE HOSPITAL SHOULD
5 HAVE BEEN CLOSED. WE SHOULD HAVE ALL WORKED HARDER TO KEEP IT
6 OPEN AND TO SEE THAT IT FUNCTIONED PROPERLY AND MET ALL THE
7 STANDARDS SET BY LICENSING AND ACCREDITING AGENCIES. WE WERE
8 YOUR PARTNERS ALONG WITH THE COMMUNITY IN TRYING TO EFFECT
9 THAT. WE ARE COMMITTED TO SEEING THAT THAT OCCURS ONCE THE
10 HOSPITAL IS REOPENED. AND IN CONCLUSION, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT
11 MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL BE REOPENED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
12 AND YOU, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COMMIT YOURSELVES TO
13 REBUILDING THE HOSPITAL TO A FULL, FUNCTIONING MEDICAL CENTER
14 THAT WILL INCLUDE TRAUMA, NEONATAL AND OTHER SPECIALTY
15 SERVICES THAT ARE SO DESPERATELY NEEDED BY THE RESIDENTS OF
16 SOUTH LOS ANGELES." THANK YOU.

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18 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. [APPLAUSE]

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20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WE HAVE-- IS THERE A MOTION TO CLOSE THE
21 PUBLIC HEARING? IT'S MOVED AND SECONDED. I'LL SECOND TO CLOSE
22 THE PUBLIC HEARING WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE, AND THAT
23 IS ALL THE ACTION WE NEED TO TAKE. ALL RIGHT. NEXT ITEM.



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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM 46. THIS IS THE REPORT BY HEALTH
2 SERVICES.

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4 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. DR. CHERNOF?

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6 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISORS, I DON'T REALLY HAVE ANYTHING
7 TO ADD OTHER THAN WHAT WAS TALKED ABOUT TODAY AND WHAT WAS IN
8 THE WRITTEN REPORT.

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10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. DR. CLAVREUL, YOU
11 WANTED TO SPEAK?

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13 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
14 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I WOULD HAVE LIKED TO HAVE SEEN THE
15 REPORT MYSELF. I STILL HAVE NOT SEEN IT. IT WOULD BE NICE THAT
16 GET THE REPORT. AND I DON'T THINK WE GOT A COMPLETE REPORT.
17 PERSONALLY, I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHERE MISS EPPS IS. THERE IS
18 NO HOSPITAL AND I THINK THE WHEREABOUTS OF MISS EPPS WOULD BE,
19 YOU KNOW, IMPORTANT TO KNOW. SHE'S MAKING OVER \$200,000, SHE'S
20 NOT RUNNING A HOSPITAL. I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHERE SHE IS. WE
21 HAD NOT HEARD HER NAME MENTIONED, I THINK SHE'S STILL A COUNTY
22 EMPLOYEE. SINCE THIS IS OUR MONEY, THE PEOPLE'S MONEY, THEN
23 YOU ARE SPENDING IT ON MISS EPPES AND SHE DID NOT DO THE
24 HONORABLE THING TO RESIGN THE DAY SHE FAILED C.M.S., WHEN SHE
25 HAS A HEART TO DO JUST THAT. I THINK WE HAVE THE RIGHT TO



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1 KNOW. ANYWAY, I BROUGHT YOU AN ARTICLE OUT ABOUT HOW TO STOP
2 AN INFECTION IN HOSPITAL. MAYBE YOUR NURSING STAFF CAN TAKE
3 LESSON TO PREVENT TRANSMISSION OF INFECTIONS. THANK YOU.

4

5 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT.

6

7 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** WHERE IS MISS EPPS? CAN SOMEBODY GIVE
8 ME AN ANSWER?

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10 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT'S THE NEXT ITEM WE HAVE?

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC COMMENT.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE AN ADJOURNMENT, ANOTHER ADJOURNMENT

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16 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. ANTONOVICH.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SUZANNE SPAHN, JACK SPAHN'S WIDOW, PASSED
19 AWAY TODAY AT 69 TODAY IN GORMAN. I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE
20 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF HER. SHE IS SURVIVED BY A SON AND
21 DAUGHTER AND HER CARETAKER, CHARLES HARRISON. MAKE THAT
22 MOTION.

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24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ADD MS. BURKE TO THAT. AND ON JULY 31ST, THE
2 BOARD HAD APPROVED AN OFFER FOR \$10,000 FOR THE INFORMATION OF
3 ARREST AND CONVICTIONS FOR THE PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
4 FATAL HIT-AND-RUN OF 55-YEAR-OLD RALPH CHARLES GERENATO ON
5 JULY 20TH AT 3:55A.M. ON THE I-10 FREEWAY, WEST OF SUNSET
6 AVENUE IN THE CITY OF WEST COVINA, AND I WOULD MOVE THAT THE
7 BOARD APPROVE THE EXTENSION OF THE \$10,000 REWARD FOR
8 INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THE PERSON
9 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FATAL HIT AND RUN OF MR. GERENATO ON JULY
10 THE 20TH. THAT WOULD BE THE MOTION.

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12 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. UNANIMOUS VOTE. ALL RIGHT.
13 PUBLIC COMMENT. JACK-- I'M GOING TO CALL ON FOUR PEOPLE.
14 JACQUELINE RICHARDSON, IS SHE HERE? COME ON DOWN. HARRIET
15 ELLIOTT. BOB CAMPBELL. AND EDWARD GUERRERO. OKAY. MISS
16 RICHARDSON?

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18 **JACQUELINE RICHARDSON:** GOOD MORNING.

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20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** GOOD MORNING-- GOOD AFTERNOON.

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22 **JACQUELINE RICHARDSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THIS IS IN REGARD TO
23 VEHICLES HERE IN THE CITY, DRIVING THE VEHICLE, AND THEY'RE
24 MAKING THE LEFT AND RIGHT-HAND TURNS. THIS INVOLVES SOME
25 PEOPLE, IT DOESN'T INVOLVE A FEW, BUT SOME PEOPLE, I CAN'T



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1 GIVE YOU A NUMBER, THEY'RE NOT MAKING-- THEY'RE NOT STOPPING
2 WHEN THEY'RE MAKING THEIR TURNS AND THEY'RE NOT LOOKING BOTH
3 WAYS BEFORE MAKING THEIR TURNS. THAT'S THE LEFT AND THE RIGHT-
4 HAND TURNS, AND THIS IS CAUSING MANY PROBLEMS. THERE'S ANOTHER
5 PART, TOO. SOME PEOPLE ARE RUNNING RED LIGHTS, INCLUDING SOME
6 OF US DRIVERS, WHEN THEY KNOW THE AREA REAL WELL. IT'S NOT
7 SOME PEOPLE THAT ARE DOING THIS, BUT IT'S A FEW, AND THIS IS
8 NOT A GOOD IDEA. AUTO INSURANCE RATES WILL GO DOWN WHEN WE AS
9 PEOPLE STOP MAKING OUR LEFT AND RIGHT-HAND TURNS WRONG. THE
10 OLD LAW, I BELIEVE, READS, WHEN YOU GET READY TO MAKE YOUR
11 TURN, YOU COME TO A COMPLETE STOP. THE NEW LAW SAYS STOP, AND
12 THERE'S A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MAKING A COMPLETE STOP AND
13 STOPPING. WHEN YOU MAKE A COMPLETE STOP, THAT MEANS YOUR
14 VEHICLE STOPS ALL THE WAY AND YOU DON'T-- YOU'RE NOT DOING
15 WHAT YOU WOULD CALL THE CALIFORNIA ROLL, AND WHEN YOU MAKE A
16 COMPLETE STOP, THAT LIVES THE CUSHION OF SAFETY FOR YOURSELF
17 AND FOR THE OTHER CARS OR PEDESTRIANS OR WHATEVER BECAUSE,
18 WELL, THEN YOU HAVE A BETTER CHANCE TO LOOK AROUND TO SEE
19 WHAT'S GOING ON. I GUESS THAT'S ABOUT IT.

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21 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. HARRIET ELLIOTT.

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23 **HARRIET ELLIOTT:** MY NAME IS HARRIET ELLIOTT. I GRADUATED FROM
24 CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE IN 1993. I WANT TO BRING TO YOUR
25 ATTENTION GROUP STALKING. THESE ARE EXTREMISTS AND THEY WAGE



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1 LOW LEVEL WARFARE AGAINST SOCIAL ACTIVISTS AND WHISTLE
2 BLOWERS. YOU, YOURSELVES, MIGHT BE TARGETED BY THESE PEOPLE.
3 IF YOU EXPOSE CORRUPTION BY PEOPLE WHO HAVE A LOT OF MONEY AND
4 CAN PAY FOR THESE GROUPS, YOU MIGHT NOT READ ABOUT IT IN THE
5 NEWSPAPER AND WONDER WHY NOT. THIS MAN HERE IS NAMED --

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT'S THEIR NAME?

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9 **HARRIET ELLIOTT:** DAVID LAWSON --

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, NO. WHAT'S THE NAME OF THE GROUP?

12

13 **HARRIET ELLIOTT:** THEY DON'T HAVE A NAME. THEY ARE COMPLETELY
14 SURREPTITIOUS, WORK UNDERCOVER, THEY HIDE THEIR TRACKS. WHEN I
15 GO TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, I'VE GONE MANY PLACES, THEY LEAVE
16 VERY LITTLE EVIDENCE OF WHAT THEY'VE DONE. THE AUTHOR RIGHT
17 HERE ACTUALLY PROVED-- HE WORKED WITH THESE GROUPS FOR 12
18 YEARS. HE DIDN'T TELL THEM HE WAS A SPY, AND HE WROTE THIS
19 BOOK CALLED "TERRORIST STALKING," OR "CAUSE STALKING" IS THE
20 NEWER VERSION, I HOPE THAT YOU CAN-- IT COSTS \$25 FOR HIS
21 BOOK, IT'S OVERPRICED, BUT I HOPE YOU CAN GOOGLE IT AND GET
22 HIS NAME. I'LL GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE OF TWO WHISTLE BLOWERS FOR
23 N.S.A., BOTH HAVE BEEN STALKED. ONE IS JOHN ST. CLAIR AUKWAY
24 AND THE OTHER ONE IS RUSSELL THEISS, WHO TESTIFIED LAST YEAR
25 AGAINST THE N.S.A. YOU MIGHT WONDER WHY YOU'RE NOT HEARING



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1 ABOUT THEIR CASES. THESE GROUP STALKERS ACTUALLY DEFAME PEOPLE
2 AND THEY DO THAT ALSO, SO I HOPE THAT PEOPLE WILL GOOGLE BOTH
3 THESE THREE NAMES. YES.

4

5 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL ASK MR. FUJIOKA TO LOOK
6 INTO THIS. BOB CAMPBELL?

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8 **BOB CAMPBELL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. CHAIRMAN AND SUPERVISORS. MY
9 NAME'S BOB CAMPBELL, I'M A PROJECT DIRECTOR WITH THE PARSONS
10 CORPORATION, AND I'M HERE TODAY IN ANOTHER CAPACITY. I'M AWARE
11 OF A PRODUCT THAT NEEDS TO GET IN THE PUBLIC'S HANDS AS PART
12 OF THE EMERGENCY SUPPLIES FOLLOWING A FIRE SUCH AS WE HAD LAST
13 WEEK. ALL OF US HEARD THE HEALTH WARNINGS ABOUT GOING BACK
14 INTO THE FIRE AREAS AND ALL OF US HAVE SEEN PEOPLE GOING BACK
15 THERE WITHOUT ADEQUATE RESPIRATORY MASKS OR, IN MOST CASES, NO
16 MASKS AT ALL. THE MASKS THAT ARE OUT THERE TODAY, THEY'RE
17 UNCOMFORTABLE, THEY'RE UGLY, PEOPLE WON'T WEAR THEM, THEY'RE
18 NOT TRAINED TO WEAR THEM, AND THEY LACK A PERIMETER SEAL. THEY
19 DON'T WORK. THE MASK I'M AWARE OF SOLVES ALL THESE PROBLEMS.
20 IT WAS ORIGINALLY DEVELOPED TO PROTECT AGAINST THE AVIAN FLU,
21 YET IT EXCEEDS THE O.S.H.A. 95 RATINGS. IT'S GOT A 98 RATING
22 IT'S GOT ITS OWN FILTERING SYSTEM, IT'S GOT PERIMETER SEALS,
23 IT'S A PRODUCT WE'VE LOOKED AT AND IT SOLVES THE NEEDS. I KNOW
24 THERE'S FUNDING AVAILABLE THROUGH THAT, THROUGH THE FEDERAL
25 GOVERNMENT DOWN TO THE COUNTIES FOR PAY FOR MASKS FOR THE



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1 AVIAN FLU. THERE'S PROBABLY EMERGENCY FUNDS. I HAVE A MASK
2 HERE SIMILAR TO ONE, SO YOU CAN SEE WHAT IT IS, THAT I
3 ACTUALLY GAVE A CALTRANS EMPLOYEE YESTERDAY. I WAS OUT IN THE
4 91 AT GREEN RIVER, AND THERE'S A WOMAN OUT THERE DOING TRAFFIC
5 CONTROL FOR CALTRANS IN A DUSTY AREA DOWNWIND OF THE SANTIAGO
6 FIRE, AND YOU COULD TELL SHE WAS JUST COVERING HER MOUTH AND
7 TRYING TO FIND SOME WAY TO PROTECT HERSELF, AND I HAPPENED TO
8 HAVE AN ORANGE ONE. THIS COULDN'T HAVE FIT BETTER. THIS IS
9 CALTRANS ORANGE AND I'LL JUST PUT IT ON. I'LL JUST GET AN IDEA
10 WHAT THESE ARE LIKE SO YOU GET THE IDEA-- MAYBE EVERYONE MAYBE
11 SHOULD BE WEARING IT IF YOU GO OUT THERE. AS YOU CAN SEE, IT
12 FITS RIGHT OVER, I CLIP IT ON, IT GOES OVER MY EARS, IT'S GOT
13 FILTERS, IT'S NOT DISPOSABLE, IT'S VERY ECONOMICAL. YOU CAN
14 GET IT IN FLESH COLOR, IF YOU WANTED TO. THE ARMY'S BEEN
15 INTERESTED IN THESE. YOU CAN GET THEM IN CAMOUFLAGE COLOR. I
16 JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT THERE IS A PRODUCT OUT THERE, AND
17 WHAT I WANTED TO DO TODAY WAS AT LEAST REQUEST A MEETING WITH
18 YOUR HEALTH OFFICIALS OR YOUR EMERGENCY OFFICIALS TO MAKE THEM
19 AWARE OF THIS PRODUCT AND MAYBE IT CAN BE READY NEXT TIME
20 THERE'S A FIRE, BECAUSE IT PAINED ME A LOT THIS WEEK TO SEE
21 PEOPLE GOING OUT THERE AND THE LONG TERM HEALTH EFFECTS, AND
22 YOU JUST TALKED ABOUT THE HOSPITALS--

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WHO MANUFACTURES IT? WHO PRODUCES IT?

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1 **BOB CAMPBELL:** IT'S A COMPANY NAMED ENVIROAIR.

2

3 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** AND MR. FUJIOKA'S GOING TO TALK TO YOU
4 AND FOLLOW UP WITH YOU ON THAT.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE WERE WEARING THE BLUE ONES AT THE FIRE.

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8 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** HAPPY HALLOWEEN.

9

10 **BOB CAMPBELL:** DID YOU HAVE ONE?

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE BLUE ONES. IT'S LIKE WHATEVER THEY GAVE
13 US OUT THERE DURING THE FIRE. IT WAS THE BLUE ONES THAT
14 COVERED THE NOSE.

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16 **BOB CAMPBELL:** SO IT DOES COME--

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BILL WILL FOLLOW-UP.

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20 **BOB CAMPBELL:** THIS IS A GOOD PRODUCT.

21

22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WE'LL TAKE A LOOK AT IT. THANK YOU FOR
23 BRINGING IT TO OUR ATTENTION. EDWARD GUERRERO. BEFORE YOU
24 START, LET ME JUST CALL-- IS GREG BROWN HERE? HERE? NOT HERE?



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1 JACKY DEHAVILAND? IS SHE HERE? ROBERT, IS IT CARBAUAL? ALL
2 RIGHT. COME ON DOWN. MR. GUERRERO?

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4 **EDWARD GUERRERO:** ARE WE GETTING THREE MINUTES?

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6 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU GET TWO MINUTES.

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8 **EDWARD GUERRERO:** I'D LIKE TO START BY OFFERING MY CONDOLENCES
9 AND THANKS TO ALL THE FAMILIES, FRIENDS, SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN
10 IN THE ARMED FORCES. FOR WHILE THEY ARE FIGHTING, DYING FOR
11 FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACIES, OUR FREEDOMS LIBERTIES, DEMOCRACIES
12 HERE IN THE U.S.A. HAVE FALLEN HOSTAGE TO POLITICS, CORRUPT
13 LAW ENFORCEMENT, CORRUPT PUBLIC CITY OFFICIALS, CITY COUNCIL
14 MEMBERS WHOSE DUTIES ARE TO PROTECT US, THE PUBLIC. WHERE IN
15 MY OPINION THE CONSENSUS HERE IS, IT IS OKAY FOR LAW
16 ENFORCEMENT TO ASSAULT THE PUBLIC, MURDER, RAPE, SEXUALLY
17 ASSAULT, WRONGFUL INCARCERATIONS, MALICIOUS PROSECUTIONS JUST
18 FOR STANDING UP FOR ONE'S RIGHTS. THAT YOU, THE COUNTY BOARD
19 OF SUPERVISORS HAVE NO CONTROL OVER YOUR DISTRICTS. IN MY
20 OPINION, THE CITY OF BURBANK'S POWER AND INFLUENCE SECURED
21 JUDGE AND JURY, COURT OFFICIALS, LOS ANGELES DISTRICT
22 ATTORNEYS, THE DEFENDANT'S ATTORNEYS JUST TO KEEP ME QUIET.
23 AND FOR SPEAKING OUT ON POLICE BRUTALITY AND BAD COPS, I WAS
24 SENTENCED TO ONE YEAR IN JAIL. AND I REMIND YOU OF SHERIFF LEE
25 BACA'S STATEMENTS, THE JUSTICE SYSTEM IS BROKEN AND YET YOU



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1 COMPLAIN ON AN OPEN PUBLIC FORUM ABOUT PARIS HILTON AND REFUSE
2 TO SPEAK ABOUT MY CASE AND/ OR TO ALLOW ME TO SHOW VIDEOTAPES
3 AND PROOF OF MY CASE. MIKE ANTONOVICH, IS IT NOT TRUE THAT YOU
4 ARE THE SUPERVISOR FOR BURBANK, GLENDALE AND PASADENA? IS IT
5 NOT ALSO TRUE THAT THE FORMER MAYOR OF BURBANK, STACEY MURPHY,
6 AN ELECTED OFFICIAL AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBER, WAS ARRESTED,
7 CHARGED IN CONNECTION WITH THE VIOLENT BOYS STREET GANG, CHILD
8 ENDANGERMENT, DRUGS, GUN CHARGES, AND TRADING GUNS FOR
9 COCAINE? AND YET SHE GOT NO JAIL TIME. SHE WAS ALLOWED TO QUIT
10 WITH HER PENSION-- SHE WAS ALLOWED TO RESIGN. SHE PLED GUILTY.
11 RESIGNED WITH PROBATION WITH NO JAIL TIME. IN MY OPINION, THIS
12 COUNCIL OVERLOOKS--

13

14 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE TO ASK YOU TO FINISH. JUST FINISH
15 YOUR SENTENCE BECAUSE YOUR TIME IS UP.

16

17 **EDWARD GUERRERO:** THIS COUNCIL LOOKS THE OTHER WAY WHEN IT
18 COMES TO CORRUPT CITY OFFICIALS, LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THE
19 VIOLATION OF THE PUBLIC TRUST. FURTHER MORE MY CASE WAS HELD
20 IN PASADENA COURTS AND ALL THE JUDGES RECUSED THEMSELVES
21 BECAUSE THEY ALL HAD CONNECTIONS WITH THE BURBANK CITY
22 COUNCIL. AND YET STACEY MURPHY'S CASE--

23



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1 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANKS. YOU'RE STARTING TO REPEAT
2 YOURSELF NOW. WE GOT THE MESSAGE. THANK YOU. MISS DEHAVILAND.
3 YOU'RE HERE.

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5 **JACKY DEHAVILAND:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU FOR THIS TIME.

6

7 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

8

9 **JACKY DEHAVILAND:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE BOARD, LAST
10 WEEK, MARY ANN WEBSTER STOOD BEFORE YOU AND ERRONEOUSLY
11 ANNOUNCED THE SIERRA CLUB SUPPORT OF THE LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM
12 IN ITS CURRENT FORM. ON SUNDAY OCTOBER 28TH, 2007, THE
13 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THE ANGELES SIERRA CLUB VOTED AGAINST
14 SUPPORT OF THIS L.C.P IN ITS CURRENT FORM MARY ANN WEBSTER HAS
15 BEEN PUBLICLY REBUKED FOR HER UNAUTHORIZED ANNOUNCEMENT THE
16 SIERRA CLUB IS NOT IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED LOCAL COASTAL
17 PROGRAM AND ITS LAND USE POLICY MAP IN ITS CURRENT FORM. THANK
18 YOU.

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20 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. IT WOULD BE NICE IF THE
21 SIERRA CLUB ANGELES CHAPTER WERE TO PUT THAT IN WRITING AND
22 MAKE IT PART OF THE FILE.

23

24 **JACKY DEHAVILAND:** THANK YOU, SIR. THEY SAID THEY WERE GOING TO
25 DO THAT YESTERDAY.



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2 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** I AM NOT AWARE THAT THEY DID. BUT MAYBE
3 IT'S UP THE STAIRS AND WE HAVEN'T GOTTEN IT YET. THANK YOU.
4 THANK YOU MR. CARBAUAL.

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6 **ROBERTS CARBAUAL:** YES SIR. I CAME TO SPEAK TO YOU AGAIN ON
7 MORGELLANS. I WAS HERE BEFORE YOU BEFORE ON MORGELLANS
8 DISEASE. THEY'VE DONE SOME STORIES ON IT ON K-CAL 9 NEWS. MARY
9 MACBETH HAS SOME INFORMATION, BUT I'VE ALSO LEARNED THAT
10 SENATOR FEINSTEIN HAS WRITTEN THE C.D.C. AND ASKED THEM TO GET
11 INVOLVED. WHEN I GO TO DOCTORS, EVERY TIME I'VE GONE TO
12 DOCTORS FROM HERE TO EL PASO, TEXAS. THEY SAY I HAVE CLASSICAL
13 PARASITOSIS. THAT'S A CONDITION OF THE MIND DUE TO PRIOR DRUG
14 USE. OR A PSYCHO CONDITION. THEY PRESCRIBE PSYCH MEDS OR
15 BENADRYL. SOMETHING FOR THE SYMPTOMS NOT THE CONDITION. IF YOU
16 CALL THE C.D.C. AND ASK FOR THE MORGELLAN'S HOTLINE, YOU CAN
17 HEAR-- I HAVE A TAPE HERE BUT IT DOESN'T PLAY WELL ON THIS
18 MIC.-- WHERE THEY'RE ASK DOCTORS TO GET INVOLVED AND TRYING TO
19 MAKE A STUDY TO DETERMINE THE PATTERN AND WHERE IT'S COMING
20 FROM. I BELIEVE AT THIS POINT I'VE GOTTEN SEVERAL REPORTERS
21 INTERESTED IN DOING A STORY ON IT BECAUSE I BELIEVE BRITNEY
22 SPEARS HAS IT. IT'S A CONDITION THAT'S GOING ON IN THE JAILS
23 AND THE DOWNTOWN AREAS. I SEE HOW PEOPLE ACT WHEN THEY GET IT.
24 I HAVE IT SO I HAVE TO SHAVE MY HEAD. I HAVE TO CHANGE MY
25 CLOTHES. I HAVE TO BOIL THEM. WELL THIS IS WHEN I FIRST GOT



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1 IT. BECAUSE AFTER A WHILE YOU LEARN NOTHING WORKS. NO DOCTOR
2 WILL TREAT IT. THEY BASICALLY GIVE UP. THEY GET TIRED. BUT I
3 BELIEVE THAT'S WHY SHE'S CHANGING THE GLASSES OFTEN. PROBABLY
4 SANITIZING THEM OR DISPOSING OF THEM LATER. BUT EVERYTHING
5 THAT'S HAPPENING, I'VE SEEN IT HAPPEN IN YOUR AREA. I'VE SEEN
6 PEOPLE IN TELEVISION AND STUFF EXHIBITING THE SAME BEHAVIOR.
7 THAT'S IN THIS THING SOME PEOPLE CALL MORGELLAN'S DISEASE. I
8 WAS HOPING-- I SPOKE TO YOUR PHILIP CHIN, AND IN SAN FRANCISCO
9 THERE'S MR. DANIEL CHIN WHO IS INVOLVED IN HELPING COORDINATE
10 THIS. AND I'M HOPING DUE TO THAT AND A CONTEMPORARY MOVIE THAT
11 JUST CAME OUT CALLED "BUG" WHICH PEOPLE THAT I'VE SEEN IT WITH
12 ALL AGREE HAPPENS. IT INVOLVES AN AIRBORNE, A TINY GNAT, LIKE
13 IN THAT MOVIE, AND IT'S NOW _____. FROM I UNDERSTAND THIS
14 ORGANISM LAYS EGGS IN THE NASAL CAVITY IN THE NASAL AREA, IN
15 THE BRAIN AND EVENTUALLY CAUSES FATALITY. YOU CAN FEEL IT IN
16 YOUR EYES, YOUR EARS, YOUR NOSE, EVERYWHERE. NOBODY IS
17 TREATING IT. I'VE BEEN TO THE C.D.C. AND U.S.C. WITH
18 COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PEOPLE. THEY WON'T EVEN REPORT IT TO THE
19 C.D.C. THERE'S NOTHING GOING ON. THE PAPERWORK'S THERE, MISS
20 FEINSTEIN'S INVOLVED. BUT NOBODY'S HANDLING IT. SO HOPEFULLY
21 SOMETHING WILL HAPPEN. CHANNEL 34 I THINK IS GOING TO TAKE AN
22 INTEREST IN IT AND HOPEFULLY SOMETHING.

23

24 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES THE
25 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD. WE'RE GOING TO GO TO CLOSED SESSION.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
3 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
4 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEMS NUMBER CS-1, CS-2
5 AND CS-3, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING
6 LITIGATION AND 48-E RELATING TO A STATE BAR CONFIDENTIAL
7 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING INVOLVING A DEPUTY DISTRICT
8 ATTORNEY. ITEM NUMBER CS-4, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR
9 WILLIAM T FUJIOKA AND DESIGNATED STAFF AS INDICATED ON THE
10 POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

11

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13 **[AFTER A CLOSED SESSION THE BOARD RESUMED**
14 **ITS PUBLIC SESSION TO CONSIDER ITEM 48-E.]**

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17 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** WE ARE NOW BACK IN SESSION WE HAVE ITEM
18 48.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 48-E.

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22 **CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY:** KNABE MOVES THAT WE MAKE THE FINDINGS
23 AND APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF WHOM? DISTRICT ATTORNEY?
24 SECONDED BY BURKE WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. WE ARE
25 ADJOURNED.



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REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON OCTOBER 30, 2007

No reportable action was taken on items CS-1, CS-3 or CS-4.

On Item CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Thomas Goldstein v. County of Los Angeles, U.S. District Court Case No. CV 04-09692.

This is a Federal civil rights action in which the plaintiff alleges wrongful prosecution by the District Attorney's Office.

The Board authorized County Counsel to seek review of a 9th Circuit Court of Appeals decision in the United States Supreme Court in the above matter.

The vote of the Board was unanimous with Supervisor Molina being absent. (07-2687)



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